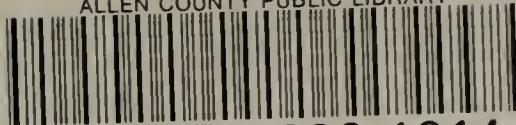


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BIOGRAPHICAL RECORD

Of The Descendants of

CHRISTIAN HOLDEMAN
1788-1846



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*The Lord our God be with us, as he was with
our fathers.*

I Kings 8:57.

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INTRODUCTION

Some years ago at a Holdeman Cousins Reunion held at McNaughton Park, Elkhart, Indiana, representatives of the twelve families present agreed that it would be a desirable thing to have a record of the descendants of Christian and Christiana Holdeman compiled and distributed among the cousins. A descendant of each of the twelve (one excepted) was named who should be responsible for furnishing whatever data he could find about his family. By common consent Edwin Weaver, a descendant of Joseph Holdeman, was chosen to receive and compile this data.

The first thought was to make it a mimeographed sheet, but as time went on and the information was collected, interest grew; also the fact that the family is a large one encouraged the thought that this record should be printed in book form and it became a book of five hundred and fifty pages with a large number of names and many interesting photographs and cuts: A much larger project than was at first anticipated.

Cousin Edwin has been untiring and painstaking in his effort. He has used deeds and documents and searched court records freely to establish the truth of the data concerning the early fathers. I feel that I can sincerely recommend his results to the cousins as worthy of their earnest attention and whole hearted support.

It has been especially gratifying to note the multiplied instances in the early history of the family that prove the earnestness of purpose and the tenacious manner in which its members have clung to the simple virtues. Let us hope that this volume may not only satisfy our curiosity but that this brief story of a vigorous and virile ancestry and family may stimulate us to continue to be an industrious and God-fearing people.

JOHN W. HOLDEMAN.

PREFACE

The compilation of this book, containing genealogical records of Holdeman descendants, was performed during the five years from 1932 to 1937. The project required a large expenditure of time, a persistence of effort, and a careful attention to details. Our chief hope is that this work now completed may have value for future generations as well as for the present, and that every reader may glean at least something which will inspire to virtuous living, to a reverence for time-honored principles, and which will even result in an increased Christian faith.

The information herein recorded reached its present completeness in form and content only through the cooperation of many persons. Some have supplied part of the information for considerable sections of their respective families. Among those who have rendered most assistance are: Frank Holdeman, Hesston, Kansas; Susanna Holdeman Miller, Nappanee, Indiana; Gertrude E. Culp, Constantine, Michigan; Rhoda Landis Weldy, Wakarusa, Indiana; Clara Holdeman Bishop, Carthage, Missouri; Martha Holdeman Pletcher, Springfield, Missouri; Bertha Loucks Stickel, Wakarusa, Indiana; Lydia Fischer Husband, Wakarusa, Indiana; Alpha R. Holdeman, Hutchinson, Kansas; Fannie Belle Holdeman Smythe, Hammond, Louisiana; Grace Shaum, Wakarusa, Indiana. Gertrude E. Culp was prominent in developing interest in the project. John W. Holdeman as president of the reunion rendered continued encouragement. Valuable information was derived from the work of Harvey S. Rutt entitled *History of Chester Township, Wayne County, Ohio, and the Genealogy of Shaum and Holdeman Families*, published in 1930. The above-mentioned book furnished data on the Ohio background, and many of the records for the Henry Shaum and John Yoder families. Information concerning the early generations of Haldeman families in Pennsylvania was generously given, to the extent known, by Milton L. Halteman, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, and Katherine

Haldeman Baldrige, Bellevue, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. Obituaries, found in the *Herald of Truth* and the *Gospel Herald*, were extensively used as sources of information, and also sketches from the *Wakarusa Tribune*, and other papers.

The writer is not only truly grateful to the many who have cheerfully submitted information, but also especially to those who have generously contributed to the success of the enterprise by purchasing books. He is well aware that there are imperfections in this compilation, and that errors will likely be found by the reader. Addresses and occupations constantly change, and complete escape from misspellings and erroneous dates may not have been fully achieved. For this he solicits the forbearance of the reader.

August, 1937.

Edwin L. Weaver.

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NICHOLAS HALDEMAN A PENNSYLVANIA PIONEER

The Haldeman family apparently originated in Switzerland. The name appears in records of the year 1538 in Eggvil, an early Mennonite center in canton Bern, Switzerland. In this year Thuring Haldeman, a Mennonite Church Father, was asked to leave the country or suffer death. He was a spokesman and teacher of the people, and bold in his stand against the tyranny of the government. The name was again left on record in the year 1670 when the authorities of Bern ordered two Mennonites, Doris Eaby from Trachselwald and Hans Haldeman from Hotchiken to be banished. In the year 1671 Katharina Haldimann of Hochstetten was included in the list of those who entered Holland from Switzerland due to severe persecutions in the latter country.¹ It is thus evident that members of the Haldeman family were prominently connected with the Anabaptist movement of the sixteenth century, and suffered the severe persecutions to which adherents of Anabaptist principles were subjected.

There is also record of a Caspar Haldeman who had lived twenty-one years at Thun, near Eggvil, and who in 1671 removed to Yverdun near the border of France. There is no evidence that he was connected with the Anabaptist movement. He is known in history by the French form of the name, Honnete Gaspard Haldimand, which also tells something about his character. Both in Europe and America he has had distinguished descendants, among them being Sir Frederick Haldimand, the first governor-general of Canada.²

Nicholas Haldeman came in 1727 to Pennsylvania from the canton Bern, Switzerland, by way of Holland, accompanied by his two brothers, Hans and Michael, as well as by his wife and children. Hans Haldeman and Michael

1. H. Frank Eshleman, **Historic Background of Annals of the Swiss and German Pioneer Settlers in Southeastern Pennsylvania**, pp. 48, 53, 110, and 184. Lancaster, Pa., 1917.

2. Jean N. McIlwraith, **Sir Frederick Haldimand (Makers of Canada)**. Toronto, 1904.

Haldeman each purchased 150 acres of land in Chester County, the deed for the purchase of the latter being recorded February 8, 1734, and for the former May 7, 1737.¹ They undoubtedly bought other tracts later. The land obtained by Michael was in Coventry Township.

Nicholas Haldeman purchased a tract of land in Salford Township, in the vicinity of Skippack, Montgomery County, which was then, and until September 10, 1784, a part of Philadelphia County. The records of the original homestead are entirely complete, dating from the William Penn grant in 1695, through the several successive ownerships before being conveyed to Nicholas Haldeman. The land was deeded to him August 13, 1728. He held the property fourteen years, and in 1742 sold it to his son, Nicholas, Jr., who in 1765 transferred the title to Isaac Markley for the sum of 800 pounds sterling. All records are clear through four additional transfers, the last being made in 1882 from Abraham Landis to Franklin S. Tyson, Lower Salford Township, Montgomery County, Pennsylvania.

Nicholas Haldeman was one of the trustees in the founding of the Lower Salford Mennonite Church in 1738. His name heads the list of those to whom the meeting-house, and tract of land on which it stood, was transferred by the ministers and deacons of the congregation.² He was also one of the seventy-seven signers to a petition to Governor Patrick Gordon, dated May 10, 1728, in which the inhabitants of the frontier asked for protection from the Indians. The signers called themselves "the back inhabitants about Falkner's Swamp and New Goshenhoppen".³ The name of Nicholas Haldeman is included in a list of German, Dutch, and French inhabitants of Philadelphia County who owned land and paid quit rents prior to 1734. One hundred acres are ascribed to him.⁴

At a session of the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania, held April 12th and 13th, 1743, in Philadelphia, a number of persons were naturalized who had conscientious scruples against taking the oath. Among them were Nicholas Haldeman of Chester County, and Nicholas Haldeman, Jr., and Christian Haldeman, both of Philadelphia County.

1. **Pennsylvania Archives**, Third Series, Vol. 24.

2. See **Perkiomen Region**, April 1932, p. 69.

3. *Ibid.*, p. 75.

4. I. D. Rupp, **Thirty Thousand Immigrants**, p. 477.

The latter two were sons of Nicholas, and had been born in Switzerland.

After Nicholas Haldeman had sold his farm in Salford Township, Montgomery County, then Philadelphia County, he removed to Chester County, where he purchased on April 12, 1743, a tract of land containing 200 acres.¹

Nicholas Haldeman died in 1762, and his will shows that he and his wife, Mary, had seven children, four sons and three daughters: John, Christian, Nicholas, Jr., Christopher, Barbara, Mary, and Maley.² Some of these children were born in canton Bern, Switzerland. Christian married Catherine Krey, and they continued to live in Montgomery County. He is said to have been a Mennonite minister, and among his descendants have been a number of Church leaders, including Bishop Abraham Haldeman and Bishop Noah Halteman Mack. Nicholas Haldeman, Jr., married Elizabeth Cassel. After selling in 1765 the farm purchased from his father, they moved to Chester County, where they purchased land in Charlestown Township. They had four children. Christopher Haldeman purchased land in Coventry Township, Chester County, Pennsylvania, and at the time of his death was a large landholder. He had ten children.

John Haldeman and wife, Mary, removed from Salford Township, Montgomery County, Pennsylvania, to Bucks County. On May 27, 1762, he purchased from Benjamin Austin 278½ acres located in Lower Milford Township, Bucks County,³ and on April 10, 1790, purchased from William Roberts 223 acres located in New Britain Township, Bucks County.⁴ He died in 1806 and at the time of his death owned 180 acres in New Britain Township.⁵

Christian Haldeman, (1752-1836) son of John and Mary Haldeman, married Catherine Bergey. They had four children: Margaret, Daniel, Magdalena, and Cornelius.⁶ Another son, John Haldeman, (1738-1815) whose wife was also named Mary, had ten children, five sons and five daughters: Christian, Joseph, Jacob, John, Abraham, Barbara, Catharine, Mary, Elizabeth, and Susanna.⁷

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1. **Pennsylvania Archives**, Third Series, Vol. 24.
 2. **Philadelphia Will Book G**, p. 322.
 3. **Bucks County Deed Book**, Vol. XXII, p. 400.
 4. *Ibid*, Vol. XXV, p. 367.
 5. *Ibid*, Vol. XLIV, p. 449.
 6. David Hendricks Bergey, **Bergey Family History**.
 7. **Bucks County Orphans Court File**, 2352.

Jacob Haldeman, son of the elder John and Mary Haldeman, and his wife, Elizabeth, had two sons and three daughters: John, Susanna, Catherine, Mary, and Christian.¹ John Haldeman was married December 10, 1809 to Catherine Benner, Susanna Haldeman was married to Andrew Wisler, Catherine Haldeman was married May 4, 1800 to Daniel Selner, and Christian Haldeman, whose lineage is recorded in this book, was married to Christiana Buzzard, daughter of George and Rachel (Godshalk) Buzzard.

At the time of his death, April 2, 1813, Jacob Haldeman owned three tracts of land in New Britain Township, Bucks County, Pennsylvania. Lot number One, containing 89 acres, assessed at \$54.00 per acre, was adjudged to his son, Christian Haldeman; lot number Two, assessed at \$50.50 per acre was adjudged to his son, John Haldeman; and lot number Three, assessed at \$44.50 per acre, was adjudged to his son-in-law and daughter, Andrew and Susanna (Haldeman) Wisler.²

The name Haldeman has had various forms, and has appeared as Haldemann, Haldimann, Haldeman, Haldiman, Haldimand, Halteman, Halderman, Halterman, Holdiman, Holderman, Holdeman, etc. With regard to the correct spelling, Milton L. Halteman of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, writes, in a personal letter: "The original spelling of the name, as I found it in the city of Bern directory, when making an extended trip to Europe many years ago, was "Haldemann",—two "n's". There were dozens by that name in that directory. It would appear that the name became distorted by the English magistrates, and other authorities, in the handling of documents, by spelling phonetically on a guess, from the obvious German accent of our ancestors. This is almost certain, as have seen documents with the names spelled in two or three ways, thus almost establishing the above conclusions as to how the name be-

1. Ibid, 2167.

2. The chief purpose of the present compilation is to record information concerning the descendants of Christian Holdeman, (1788-1846); consequently the history of earlier generations of the Haldeman family is largely left for future publication. It is to be hoped that at some future time a comprehensive history of all branches may be published. There is a limited record which indicates that John Haldeman (died 1815) and Jacob Haldeman (died 1813) were sons of Christian Haldeman, son of Nicholas, instead of John Haldeman, son of Nicholas. (See **Egli Notes and Queries**, Third Series, Vol. III.) The writer has found no decisive evidence to this effect and must leave the record stand as recorded above until such evidence is found.

came changed. . . . Except for the double 'n' final, 'Halde-
man' is the correct way of spelling."

Another pertinent fact is that the changes in spelling are true phonetic changes. The changes of "a" to "o" and of "d" to "t" are perfectly normal, and common in the Old English and Middle English periods of the language. In earlier periods of the English language words were spelled to harmonize with pronunciation, spellings were approximations to sounds, and even in the eighteenth century spelling was not as fixed as now.

CHRISTIAN HOLDEMAN A PIONEER OF WAYNE COUNTY, OHIO

Christian Holdeman was born November 28, 1788, in New Britain Township, Bucks County, Pennsylvania, and was married to Christiana Buzzard, born December 1, 1788, daughter of George and Rachel (Godshalk) Buzzard. After the death of his father, Jacob Haldeman, the eighty-nine acre tract of land belonging to the latter was adjudged to Christian Holdeman. On June 7, 1819, Andrew Wisler and Susanna granted by deed to Christian Holdeman the tract of land containing thirty acres and seven perches. Christian Holdeman conveyed this same place, containing



Christian Holdeman Homestead in Wayne County, Ohio.

thirty acres and seven perches, on February 15, 1823, to Abiah James, Jr. In June of 1825 Christian Holdeman, wife, and eight children moved to Ohio, where they settled first in Columbiana County.

After being in Columbiana County, Ohio, perhaps not more than two years, Christian Holdeman and family removed to Wayne County where the three youngest children were born. One son, David, had been born in Columbiana

County. In Chester Township, Wayne County, Ohio, Christian Holdeman purchased 160 acres comprising the west one-half of the southeast quarter and the east one-half of the southwest quarter of section sixteen. The Eight Square Mennonite Church and cemetery were on the southwest corner of the farm. The plot of this farm was surveyed January 16, 1834, at which time Christian Holdeman was the owner. The old brick house was built by him in 1841. He had a brick kiln on the farm, and it is supposed he made the brick himself for his own house. He may also have made the brick for his neighbors who built brick houses in those days.

Christian Holdeman was among the pioneers in Wayne County, Ohio. The first settler, James Robinson, came in the year 1813. Chester Township was organized into a civil township March 5, 1816, less than a dozen years before Christian Holdeman and his family settled there. The oldest village of the township, New Pittsburgh, was not laid out until March 6, 1829.

On May 10, 1839 Christian Holdeman was appointed by the township clerk to serve as a school director in School District No. Six. The two other directors were John Shaum and John Wilson. The log schoolhouse then in use was the first of that district, and was located near the southeast corner of the southeast quarter of section seventeen, then owned by Isaac Hileman. Its location was one-fourth mile west of the southwest corner of Christian Holdeman's farm, the corner on which the church was located. It was in this log schoolhouse that the Christian Holdeman children attended school, and in this same building Amos Holdeman, George Holdeman, and Samuel Holdeman had been teachers.

From the year 1842 until the year 1845 the Chester Township elections were held at the house of Christian Holdeman. For some years previously, they had been held at the house of John Hine, who lived on the first farm east of the Christian Holdeman farm. It was decided March 4, 1844, by the trustees of Chester Township with the directors of school district No. Six to build a house to be used jointly to hold township elections and other township meetings, and when not in use by the township the school district was to have the use of it for a schoolhouse. For this purpose on April 19, 1844, Christian Holdeman had a plot of ground

surveyed measuring three rods wide and five rods long, upon which the building, which became known as the Eight Square School House, was to be built. On May 6, 1845, he and his wife sold to school district No. Six this plot of ground for the sum of one dollar. This new brick schoolhouse and township house was built in 1844, and in the first election held therein, on April 7, 1845, he was elected supervisor, and also elected an overseer of the poor. On April 6, 1846, the second election was held in the Eight Square building and Christian Holdeman was again elected supervisor. In this schoolhouse and township house combined, the younger children of Christian Holdeman and nearly all of the children of Amos Holdeman attended school, and Samuel Holdeman, David Holdeman and Frank Seidner served as teachers.

In 1846 Christian Holdeman was in an accident while working with a team of horses on his farm. As a result of injuries received, he died September 26, 1846 at the age of 57 years, 9 months, and 28 days.

Christiana Buzzard Holdeman remained on the farm until the year 1849, when she came to Elkhart County, Indiana, accompanied by her children Susanna, Abraham, and John who was already married to Hettie Eicher and had one daughter, and by her nephew Christian Shaum. On September 18, 1849, she purchased from Jesse Davies and Elvy his wife of Belmont, Ohio, the southwest quarter of section thirty-six in township thirty-seven (Baugo Township) Elkhart County, Indiana, 160 acres, for \$1200. This farm was later purchased by her son, Abraham.

After her death, the following sketch appeared in the Herald of Truth; it was signed C. S., which perhaps indicates that the author was Christian Shaum: "Died on the 11th of March, in Elkhart County, Indiana, Christiana Holdeman, aged 76 years, 3 months, and 10 days; widow of Christian Holdeman, who died about twenty years before her. She seemed to be stout and hearty, continuing at her work as usual until the day on which she died, and took sick but a few hours before her death. She was buried on the 14th. The funeral was largely attended by her friends. She was the mother of thirteen children: ¹ ten sons eight of whom are living, and three daughters; among whom she

1. The name and dates of one son have not been left on record; he apparently died in infancy.

stayed. She had 119 grand-children, of whom eighty-six are yet living; seventy-two great-grandchildren, of whom fifty-five are yet living: making in all 204 of whom 152 are still living. She was, no doubt, near and dear to them, going from one to the other as they needed her assistance. We have the hope that their loss is her eternal gain; and if we heed the loud call which God has made to us through her removal, and become truly reconciled to Him who gave His life for us, we may rest in the hope and promise that we shall meet her again on those bright shores, where parting is never known; for we have the hope that God, in taking her from us, has only called her home to join the angel throng and enjoy endless glory and happiness. A funeral sermon was preached in the English and the German language."



A section of the old Yellow Creek cemetery near Wakarusa, Indiana. In the front row the Christiana Holdeman grave is in the center, the Jacob Holdeman grave to the right, and on the left is the grave of Joseph and Anna Holdeman, children of George.

The parents of Christiana Holdeman were George and Rachel (Godshalk) Buzzard. The name "Buzzard", has often been spelled "Boshart". George Buzzard was a blacksmith, and has been referred to as "a noted gunsmith". He had lived, at least in his earlier years, in New Britain Township, Bucks County, Pennsylvania. Rachel Godshalk was a great granddaughter of Jacob Gottshalk, who had come to America from Holland and settled in Germantown before 1702. He was the first Mennonite bishop in Amer-

ica, and for him the first Mennonite book in English was printed, the *Mennonite Confession of Faith*. The lineage is as follows:

Jacob Gottshalk

Gottshalk Gottshalk married Eva Kuster

John Gottshalk married Christiana Hendricks

Rachel Godshalk married George Buzzard

Christiana Buzzard married Christian Haldeman

Rachel Godshalk was also a descendant of Gerhard Hendricks, who in 1685 came from Germany to America and settled in Germantown. He along with Dirk op den Graeff, Francis Daniel Pastorious, and Abraham op den Graeff sent to the Friends Meeting the first public protest ever made in America against the holding of slaves. The lineage is as follows:

Gerhard Hendricks

William Hendricks

Hendrick Hendricks married Rachel Linderman

Christiana Hendricks married John Gottshalk

Rachel Godshalk married George Buzzard

Christiana Buzzard married Christian Haldeman *

With regard to the Christian Holdeman farm in Ohio, Harvey S. Rutt made the following remarks:

* The information on the ancestry of Christiana Holdeman is taken from **The Perkiomen Region**, April, 1932.

"After the death of Christian Holdeman, and on May 17, 1848, Samuel Holdeman, son of Christian Holdeman, did file in court in instrument by which he did petition the sale of the farm. The appraisers were Peter Dirck, John Shaum, and William Barnhart, who estimated the value, subject to the widow's dower, at \$3200. Samuel Holdeman elected to take the premises at the appraisement and ordered the sheriff to execute and deliver to him a deed for same. Samuel Holdeman was then appointed as administrator of the estate of Christian Holdeman deceased.

Samuel Holdeman and wife, Sarah, sold the old Holdeman farm of 160 acres to Jacob Seidner. The deed is found Vol. 33, page 549, dated April 1, 1850. Consideration, \$5000.

Jacob Seidner and wife, Elizabeth, sold the old Holdeman farm of 160 acres to Henry Gable who later became the father-in-law of Joseph Shaum. The deed is found Vol. 47, pages 583 and 584, dated August 14, 1856. Consideration, \$8000.

Henry Gable and wife, Lydia, sold the old Holdeman farm, then 113 acres to Christian Holdeman, a grandson of old Christian Holdeman, and a son of Amos Holdeman. Deed, Vol. 68, pages 90 and 91, dated February 23, 1867. Consideration, \$8323.

Christian Holdeman, and wife, Susannah, sold the old Holdeman farm, then 124 acres, to William Fishburn. Vol. 104, page 515. Dated November 8, 1880. Consideration, \$9300. Christian was the last Holdeman who owned the Holdeman homestead."

Christian and Christiana (Buzzard) Holdeman were the parents of thirteen children, the following twelve having grown to maturity:

1. Amos Holdeman, born January 5, 1808; died December 29, 1888. Aged 80 years, 11 months, 24 days.
2. Margaret Holdeman, born November 17, 1809; died March 30, 1887. Aged 77 years, 4 months, 13 days.
3. Jacob Holdeman, born November 3, 1811; died April 13, 1868. Aged 56 years, 5 months, 10 days.
4. George Holdeman, born September 23, 1813; died January 11, 1878. Aged 64 years, 3 months, 8 days.
5. Catherine Holdeman, born March 10, 1818; died June 27, 1899. Aged 81 years, 3 months, 17 days.

6. Samuel Holdeman, born November 30, 1819; died August 7, 1899. Aged 79 years, 8 months, 7 days.
7. Joseph Holdeman, born April 29, 1823; died August 7, 1894. Aged 71 years, 3 months, 8 days.
8. Jonas Holdeman, born 1824; died December 12, 1864. Aged 40 years.
9. David Holdeman, born September 16, 1825; died April 6, 1905. Aged 79 years, 6 months, 21 days.
10. John Holdeman, born September 12, 1827; died November 10, 1894. Aged 67 years, 1 month, 28 days.
11. Susannah Holdeman, born January 22, 1830; died July 10, 1900. Aged 70 years, 5 months, 18 days.
12. Abraham Holdeman, born April 4, 1834; died June 18, 1905. Aged 71 years, 2 months, 14 days.

Amos, Margaret, Jacob, George, Catherine, Samuel, Joseph, and Jonas were born in New Britain Township, Bucks County, Pennsylvania; David was born in Columbiana County, Ohio; John, Susanna, and Abraham were born in Wayne County, Ohio. (The only source the present writer has for the place of birth of John Holdeman is his obituary, and upon this he bases his conclusion that the Christian Holdeman family lived in Columbiana County, Ohio not longer than two years.)

THE HOLDEMAN FAMILY IN ELKHART COUNTY, INDIANA

A progenitor of the Haldeman family in America, Nicholas Haldeman, settled in the New World fifty years before the Declaration of Independence was signed, five years before the birth of the first president, and only forty-five years after the arrival of William Penn. Members of the family were here almost one hundred years, from 1727 to 1825, before Christian Holdeman made the journey from eastern Pennsylvania to eastern Ohio. They were pioneers and became citizens in the country of their choice, and made a worthy contribution to the agricultural and religious life of the commonwealth of Pennsylvania. The pioneer spirit remained unquenched, and with a family of small children Christian and Christiana Holdeman undertook the long journey to Ohio. When the latter state was new and undeveloped, the hewing of trees, the building of houses, and the forcing of plows into soil never before touched by plow shares, was boldly and courageously undertaken, and pioneer life with its stern experiences had a rebirth.

The story of the Haldeman family as pioneers in Pennsylvania has never yet been fully written. The quarter century of pioneering in the state of Ohio, from 1825 to 1850, has been presented by Harvey S. Rutt, who has shown how Christian Holdeman and his brother-in-law, John Shaum, "men of intelligence, enlightened judgment, iron nerve, and indomitable perseverance" were conquerors in Chester Township, Wayne County, Ohio.

"They had severed themselves from the attachments of home, kindred and friends, and dared to invade the wilderness, with its perils of storm, of flood, of possible starvation, sickness and death. Undaunted and unyielding before these obstacles, the hardy, stalwart pioneers, buoyant with expectation and exalted hopes of the future, stripped for the stupendous conflict between the powers of the will and arm and the Titan children of the woods. With the benediction of God upon them, and a complete consecration

to their self-imposed adventure, they stood, with ax in hand, in the midst of their wilderness homes, prepared to level to the earth the stout monarchs of the forests, and open up an abode for their future comforts and happiness, and thereby establish upon a new and virgin soil the securities and blessings of a civilization from which they had been voluntarily divorced." *

Among the many trials and hardships they had to endure are listed: unimproved roads, perils of storm and flood, unbridged and swollen streams, exposure to the savage wolf prowling about their doors, the savage Indian armed with instruments of revenge and death, the scarcity of money and the absence of bases of supply, the cold of winter, and homesickness. Yet they had their blessings, and did not forget the Christian principles for which their forefathers had suffered. "The rude, pioneer huts that our Grandfathers Shaum and Holdeman lived in before they built their brick houses, instead of being the abode of the little family cluster alone, became a temple of worship, and the gray old woods resounded with the simple but pathetic and eloquent prayers of pious men."

The privations and pleasures of pioneer life experienced by Christian Holdeman in Wayne Co., Ohio, were shared by his sons and daughters, and were fully revived by them in Elkhart County, Indiana, to which place they nearly all emigrated. The toilsome pilgrimage, similar to that of previous generations, was undertaken anew by men, women and children who accepted the challenge of the West. As in Ohio, and with previous generations in Pennsylvania, pioneer life was courageously and adventurously entered upon in a region where wildness prevailed. They selected the heavy woods of the western part of Elkhart County, where the trees were larger but the soil very fertile. Most of the earlier settlers had stopped farther east where the trees were not so large, but large trees were an indication of fertile soil and it was this in part which determined their choice.

The Holdeman families, all excepting that of Amos Holdeman, came to Elkhart County, Indiana, between the years 1848 and 1852. The Frederick Landis and George Holdeman families, who arrived in 1848, seem to have been the

* Harvey S. Rutt, **History of Chester Township, Wayne County, Oh.** 1930, p. 8.

On June 27, 1866, the congregation bought one and one-tenth acres on the west side of the road as a site for the church house, because the east side was thought desirable by some for a cemetery. Not many were buried in the proposed cemetery, however, which was soon abandoned as a burial ground. The present frame structure was erected on the lot on the west side in 1875, and had an audience room forty by forty-two feet with two ante-rooms on the east side, and a hall. The present house was remodeled in 1913 by enlarging the audience room, adding ante-rooms and halls on the east end, and constructing a basement.

Members of the Holdeman family, including those connected by marriage, who have served in the ministry at the Holdeman Mennonite congregation are Jacob Freed, Henry Weldy, John Hygema, and Warren Shaum who is one of the present ministers. Henry Shaum has served as a bishop. Members of the family who have been deacons for the congregation are Joseph Holdeman, Samuel Smeltzer, and Jacob I. Weldy. A Sunday school was organized about 1872, and one of its purposes was to educate in the German language and to preserve its use in the church services. Gradually the English language came to be used for Bible instruction. The attendance at present averages nearly 270 per Sunday. Members of the Holdeman family who have served as Sunday school superintendents are Joseph Holdeman, Abraham Weldy, John Holdeman, Christian N. Holdeman, Henry Holdeman, John Hygema, Menno Weaver, Amos Weldy, Warren Shaum, Harry Holdeman, Edwin Weaver, and Clarence Smeltzer. The first trustees of the Holdeman Church were Abraham Weldy and John Holdeman. With two exceptions their successors have all been connected with the Holdeman family, and are as follows: Cyrus Flickinger, John Good, Amos Weldy, Carl Nunemaker, William S. Weaver and Maurice Gongwer. *

There were at first no graveyards, and the dead were buried in the fields. The first graveyard in the vicinity of Wakarusa was laid out on Pletcher's Hill, one-half mile south of town. The Olive Cemetery, opposite the road from the Olive Mennonite Church, was platted in 1855. The Olive Mennonite Church, erected in the fall of 1862, was also one of the first in the township. The first church in

* The information on the Holdeman Church is taken from an article written by Jacob K. Bixler for **The Rural Evangel**.

the village of Salem was the United Brethren, built west from the present square at the place called Bunker Hill.

The first school house in the southern part of Olive Township was constructed of logs, as were all buildings in that early period, and was attended by children of the surrounding district. Other schools were soon organized, however. The Holdeman School, one mile west of Wakarusa, was started between 1855 and 1860; the ground was donated by Joseph Holdeman. The Longstreet School was at first held in a log cabin which had been a dwelling house, and stood on the edge of the hill north of the Thomas Price place two and one-fourth miles south of Wakarusa. A school house was then erected of dressed logs and was lo-



Olive Cemetery near Wakarusa, Indiana, where many Holdeman descendants are buried.

cated on Jacob Freed's farm, one-fourth mile east of where the later Longstreet school stood. It was called the Basswood School and Christiana Holdeman Hartman was the first teacher in the new school house.

Due to consolidation the last Holdeman school house, erected in 1893, was torn down in 1927. Members of the Holdeman family who had been pupils and later taught in this school are: Christian N. Holdeman, Christiana Holdeman Hartman, Anna Holdeman Willard, Hannah Holdeman Root, George B. Holdeman, Warren Holdeman, Nelson Holdeman, Joseph Flickinger, and Emma Harrington

first to come. This was less than twenty years after the coming of the first white man who ever set foot on Elkhart County soil and afterwards became a citizen. This man was John Jackson, who came in 1829, at which time there was no post office nearer than Fort Wayne. The present city of Goshen was platted June 27, 1831, and in the following year, 1832, was erected the first court house; it was completed and used for the first time in 1833. The city of Elkhart was platted April 28, 1832, and Wakarusa, originally platted under the name of Salem, dates from October 22, 1852, several years after most of the Holdeman families had arrived.

The townships in which farms were purchased and pioneer life begun were Olive, Locke, Baugo and Elkhart; of these Olive Township was selected by the majority. Margaret Freed and her daughter, Nancy Weldy, settled in the north end of Locke Township, Abraham Holdeman and his mother in the south end of Baugo Township, the Frederick Landis family chose Elkhart Township which is centrally located in Elkhart County, while nearly all the others purchased their farms in the southern part of Olive Township in the vicinity of the present town of Wakarusa. Baugo, Olive, and Locke are located on the west side of Elkhart County, and border on St. Joseph County; they are six miles in length and only three miles wide.

The first settler in Olive Township, Martin Sailor, made his home in the forest in 1835; in 1837 the township was organized and the first election held; and in 1838 the first school house, constructed of logs, was built in section eleven on the Moses Sailor farm. The first town, then called Salem, was platted in 1852 on a marshy piece of ground in the south end of the township. The post office, which had been established in 1849 in the log cabin of Harvey Bly, three and one-half miles north of the village of Salem, was now moved into town. Henry Wagner was one of the first to have charge of it. Thomas Inks, who had operated a country store in a log cabin northwest of what is now Wakarusa, moved his store when the new village was platted, and this became the first store. The (Samuel) Holdeman and Brubaker store was opened in 1866. In 1859, due to another Salem in the state, the name of the town was changed to Wakarusa.

The Holdeman church house, built by Mennonites in 1851 one mile west and one-fourth mile north of what was then Salem, was one of the earliest in Olive Township. Services had previously been held regularly every four weeks at the home of George Holdeman, one and one-half miles west and one-half mile south of Wakarusa. On some of the other Sundays the Yellow Creek Mennonite Church, four miles east and one mile north of Wakarusa, was attended. The first Holdeman church house stood on the east side of the road, and was built on a lot comprising one and one-tenth acres, purchased February 6, 1854 for one dollar. This first building, erected under the leadership of Joseph Holdeman, was a log structure about twenty-four by thirty-four feet in size, east and west in length. The house had two windows at each end and three on each side. The pulpit, which was at the east end, consisted of a plank with legs fastened into it; the seats were benches without backs made from slabs off the side of logs with holes bored into which legs were fastened. It was called the Holdeman Church because of the sixteen members at the time the first building was erected, fourteen belonged to the Holdeman family. Families included were those of George, Samuel, Joseph, David, and John Holdeman, and Abraham Weldy. It is still called the Holdeman Mennonite Church, and, with a membership of over 300, is one of the larger Mennonite congregations in Indiana.



Holdeman Mennonite Church

Smith. Some of the first generation of Holdeman settlers had taught in the two former buildings.

Wild animals were plentiful in the pioneer days. One of the first settlers wrote: "I was sent on an errand once, and wild hogs gave me quite a chase, but I managed to keep out of their way by climbing a fence. Everything was woods for miles, and they were inhabited by bears, wolves, and deer. We lived on deer and bear meat until we were tired of it." Another wrote: "The wolves used to howl around our house at night so we couldn't sleep—we would have to make a fire out of doors to keep them away. We lived mostly on wild meats."

Some of the most informational sketches concerning pioneer life in the vicinity of Wakarusa came from the pen of Christiana Freed Landis. One of her articles contains the following descriptive account:

"It took energy and push that our young people know nothing about. The trees were not felled by sawing, but cut down with the ax. The rails were split from good oak trees. An experienced rail splitter could tell by the looks of the tree which one would split good and he had plenty to select from; he would cut down the timber and split 350 to 400 a day. If the trees were cut down beforehand one man could split 450 a day.

"Rude huts were built with logs hewed flat on the inside, the corners were hewed down in just the right shape to fit down tight on the lower log. It took a pretty good workman to make a nice corner. The cracks between the logs were then chunked and plastered with a mortar made of yellow clay, straw and water. The hut often had but one door and one window; dining room, sitting room, bed room and parlor were all combined in one good sized room; at one end was a chimney with a hearth laid of flat stones which extended quite a ways into the room so the shower of live sparks that would continually fly far and near would not reach the board floor. It was a common sight to behold the floor somewhat charred next to the hearth. The beds and clothing were at the farther end of the room to make safe against fire.

"The farmer who was careful with his stock usually built his barn in like manner, with the exception of hewing the logs flat on the inside. There was no sale for timber

and after taking what was needed for buildings and fences, the rest of the timber was cut down in such a manner as to form what they called jam piles, and was burned in order to get the ground cleared and the crops put out. Logging bees were numerous in which sturdy oxen were used to roll the logs together. Men and women wore home-spun clothing, for the thin, flimsy goods that was bought at the stores would not stand the wear and tear of those backwoods days; and besides, calico was twenty-five and thirty cents per yard, and a spool of thread was twenty-five cents.

"The farmers were very scarce that owned a spring wagon. For going visiting, the riding was done in a lumber wagon often minus a spring seat, on horse back, or walking. People in those days never dreamed that the roads would ever get in shape for a top buggy. Driving through the dense forest was very inconvenient and dangerous even with a lumber wagon; over swampy places, which were numerous at that time, corduroy bridges were made of round logs; these were often not substantially placed, and would float on top of the water. Wheat and other grain had to be hauled fifteen miles to market and exchanged or ground into flour.

"Our celebrated town, which was called Salem, was laid out in lots and in the spring of 1853 these were sold at auction to the highest bidder. The trees were felled and the brush burned, but the logs were left on the ground. It was a swampy, springy piece of ground, not fit for farming but just right for a town. More than one team mired down on the main street so that it was a hard matter to get them out. Just in front of Lienhart's store down to Elmer Gore's residence was a terrible piece of road. The east and west road one mile south of town was not surveyed until sometime later than 1853. Mr. Inks had the first grocery, followed by Samuel Kline, Mr. Wolverton, and others. The school house was a small structure located near where W. H. Clay's residence now stands. It was also used for church services, singing and Sunday school. The residents were the Inks, Klines, Wolvertons, and Myers'. Mr. Myers was the physician. A little later the Eyers, Brubakers, Stealys, and Firestones and others moved in."

The Holdemans have the qualities needed in the making of a good soldier, and a considerable number helped

Olive Township provide its quota in the Civil War. Those who served were: George Holdeman, Samuel W. Holdeman, Abraham A. Holdeman, John Holdeman, Jonas Holdeman, Frederick L. Holdeman, Lycurgus Holdeman, Jacob Holdeman, Jr., Joseph Freed, Joseph Anglemyer, David Harrington, and Charles S. Miller. Many members of the Holdeman family served in the World War, but by that time the family had spread to nearly all parts of the United States.

The largest contribution made by the Holdeman family to Elkhart County is in the development of agriculture. The first generation of Holdemans who settled in the county were large landowners, and capable farmers and stockmen. They and their descendants have often been the leading and most financially successful farmers in their communities. Another significant contribution has been made to the schools of the county. Six of the nine sons of Christian Holdeman, and not far from one hundred of his descendants up to this time, have been teachers in American schools, and a number of these taught in Elkhart County. They have been in demand because of a natural aptitude for discipline, and a natural gift of speech expression such as is needed in teaching. Not many have been in political life, although one served many years as Elkhart County coroner, and another represented the county in the Indiana State Senate. Churches have received the support of many members of the Holdeman family. They are often liberal in financial support, and large numbers have served as Sunday school teachers and superintendents. A considerable number have held pastorates in Elkhart County churches, and many served as deacons, trustees, etc.

The pioneer spirit of the earlier generations in Pennsylvania, Ohio, and Indiana was not allowed to die, and many Holdeman descendants emigrated from Elkhart County, Indiana to western states and became first settlers in different sections of Kansas and Oklahoma. A number obtained land in Oklahoma before that was an organized state. Some became pioneer settlers in Missouri, Texas, Oregon, Montana, and other states of the West and South. They again contributed to the agricultural, educational, and religious development of their communities, and many served as school teachers and preachers.

Older Holdeman Cousins.

Top Row: Frank
Girl, Abraham Eicher,
William B. Holdeman,
Samuel Davidhizar,
Aaron Holdeman,
Samuel Yoder, Samuel
Hartman, Conrad
Grenert, Jacob Yoder,
Charles S. Miller.

Third Row: Lovina
(Mrs. William Burk-
holder), Catharine
(Mrs. John Good),
Emma (Mrs. Aaron
Berkey), Anna E.
(Mrs. Stanford Wil-
lard), Dr. Eugene
Holdeman, Henry
Wagner, Christian N.
Holdeman, Abraham
Holdeman (son of
Samuel), John Good,
Henry Holdeman.

Second Row: Ann
(Mrs. Daniel Weng-
er), , Caroline
(Mrs. Charles Pettit),
Mary (Mrs. Abraham
Eicher), Deborah
(Mrs. Henry Wag-
ner), Salome (Mrs.
Samuel Davidhizar),
Catherine (Mrs. John
Gingerich), ,
Anna (Mrs. Samuel C.
Culp), Christiana
(Mrs. Samuel Hart-
man), Elizabeth (Mrs.
Jacob Yoder), Cath-
arine (Mrs. Conrad
Grenert).

Bottom Row: Martha (Mrs. Delbert Cook), Mary (Mrs. David), Abraham E. Wenger, Martha (Mrs. William D. Cook).



AMOS HOLDEMAN FAMILY

Second Generation

AMOS HOLDEMAN was married to Nancy Yoder, born February 11, 1812 in Pennsylvania, daughter of John Yoder and Kauffman, and a sister of Samuel Yoder, although younger than he.

Amos Holdeman was seventeen years of age at the time of the removal from Pennsylvania to Ohio. After settling in Wayne County, he bought in 1833 eighty acres of land from Jacob Haynes, to whom it had been deeded by the state of Ohio, May 20, 1833. This land, comprising the southwest quarter of section twenty-one, lay in school district No. Six. Amos Holdeman taught in the old log schoolhouse of this district during the winter term of 1838 and 1839, and here several of his older children attended school. He was one of the school directors of this district at the time the new Eight Square schoolhouse was built, where most of his children attended school. At the time Samuel Holdeman and wife deeded to the trustees of the regular Mennonite Church an acre of ground which was to be used for church purposes and as a burying ground, April 1, 1850, Amos Holdeman was one of the trustees, the other two being Benjamin Gable and George Shaum. On the southwest corner of the old Christian Holdeman farm was a log Mennonite Church and burying ground, but the plat had never been deeded to the church. Upon this plat of ground the present Eight Square Mennonite Church was later (1873) built.

In 1837 Amos Holdeman bought twenty-six acres from the William Westhaffer farm. This was a strip of land extending along the east side of the eighty acres of the former. The log cabin on the farm he had bought from Jacob Haynes became inadequate for his family, so in 1840 he built a brick house near the bank of the stream, Little Kilbuck. This is the longest stream of Chester Township, and is named after an Indian chief (Kilbuck). Harvey S. Rutt has written about this stream; he says: "Little Kilbuck rises in the northern part of the township, flows south past the Eight

Square Mennonite Church, just in front of the Amos Holdeman brick house, then turns gently to a southeasterly direction, and leaves the township near the southeast corner." ¹Mr. Rutt was personally acquainted with Amos Holdeman and wife, and has included in his book the following admirable account:

"In his dealings with men he was scrupulously honest, and as true to promise as the magnetic needle to the north pole. Few men possessed good health to such an extraordinary degree as he. His physical frame, while not large in stature, was a model of muscular perfection. There appeared to be no limit to his energies, no exhaustion to his vital forces. Proverbially industrious, he taught economy and practiced it, and through these practices accumulated wealth to a greater extent than his neighbors who lived under the same conditions. Though sometimes seemingly austere, and even punctilious with men, no one who knew him doubted but under that brusque exterior there throbbed a warm heart and blossomed the kindest of the domestic virtues—as in the regions of the North, under the polar snows, flourish flowers and plants of surpassing beauty. Though passionately devoted to his friends and family, he was wont to withdraw from them when sacred volumes would be read, and when he would question his soul and call for strength that is the answer of ascended prayer. He was an ardent lover of sacred history, and enjoyed a perfect familiarity with the Scriptures, which were his study and delightful theme.

"He was the postman of the neighborhood in the latter years of his living in Ohio. When the United States mail, over the star route, would be delivered to the post office at New Pittsburgh, he would make his regular trip by foot, get the mail for his neighbors, and deliver it.

"He was an earnest member of the Mennonite Church until his son, John Holdeman, became a minister and started a church of his own; then the father joined the church of his son.

"In 1883, when his sons and sons-in-law, and all the members of this new church moved to and established a new home in Jasper County, Missouri, the father, Amos Holde-

1. Harvey S. Rutt **History of Chester Township, Wayne County, Ohio**, p. 5.

man, was taken along and died there December 29, 1888; aged 80 years, 11 months, and 24 days.

"His wife embarked with her husband to the then far and fabled West (Ohio), to taste its privations and promises, locating on the spot where faded the bloom of her mature life, and where was triumphantly unfolded the sublime lesson of a death whose terrors were defeated. Here she encountered the stern trials and hardships which uniformly beset the first settlers of all new communities, but performed her part with unfaltering fortitude, never despairing, never surrendering, but hopefully and buoyantly looking forward to the beautiful tomorrow of better days. She was a woman of intelligence, sweet and composed disposition, tender sensibilities, ardent attachments and many social and domestic virtues; a woman of great strength of mind, of extreme force of character, of fervent Christian impulses, her counsels were often sought; and thus her life became a perpetual example, and her death a peaceful vindication of that holy religion which adorned and embellished all her days.

"She was also an ardent lover of sacred things and the church, and enjoyed to familiarize herself with the Scriptures. She was also an earnest member of the Mennonite Church. Although her son John became a minister and started a church of his own, more familiarly known as the Johnny Holdeman Church, she never lost faith in or severed her membership from the Mennonite Church.

"Nancy (Yoder) Holdeman died September 2, 1882, in the brick house which they had built on the Holdeman homestead; aged 70 years, 6 months, and 21 days. She is buried in the Eight Square Cemetery."¹

Children of Amos and Nancy (Yoder) Holdeman:

1. Elizabeth Holdeman, born March 15, 1830; died March 20, 1895. Aged 65 years, 5 days.
2. John Holdeman, born January 31, 1832; died March 10, 1900. Aged 68 years, 1 month, 9 days.
3. Susannah Holdeman, born December 22, 1834; died July 2, 1914. Aged 79 years, 6 months, 10 days.
4. Christian Holdeman, born January 13, 1840; died March 12, 1912. Aged 72 years, 1 month, 29 days.

1. Harvey S. Rutt, pp. 141-142. It is unlikely that Amos Holdeman and Nancy Yoder were married before the time of removal from Pennsylvania to Ohio, as statements above imply.

5. Alpheus Holdeman, born July 21, 1842; died September 26, 1899. Aged 57 years, 2 months, 5 days.
6. Nancy Holdeman, born October 10, 1844; died March 16, 1867. Aged 22 years, 5 months, 6 days.
7. Mary Holdeman, born December 7, 1849; died March 4, 1927. Aged 77 years, 2 months, 27 days.
8. Sarah Holdeman, born September 13, 1852; died March 10, 1923. Aged 70 years, 5 months, 27 days.
9. Henry Holdeman, born December 28, 1854; died November 8, 1929. Aged 74 years, 10 months, 10 days.

Third Generation

Elizabeth Holdeman was married March 25, 1847 in Wayne County, Ohio, to Henry Shaum, born February 3, 1826, son of Bishop John and Sarah (Buzzard) Shaum. The latter had lived in Northampton County, Pennsylvania, but removed to Wayne County, Ohio, when Henry was a little over three years of age. Bishop John Shaum was characterized as a man of great meekness and an exceedingly quiet demeanor.

Henry Shaum grew up on his father's farm in Wayne County, Ohio, where he was early inured to hard labor, and shared the common lot among the pioneers of clearing up the heavy timber lands. His educational advantages were few, being limited to reading, writing, and arithmetic, and these in a limited measure.

Elizabeth Holdeman and Henry Shaum after their marriage resided for six years in Seneca County, Ohio, but in 1853 removed to Elkhart County, Indiana where they purchased a farm in Concord Township, where they resided until the time of his death. In 1866 Henry Shaum united with the Mennonite Church, and on Saturday, December 23, 1871, was ordained to the ministry. About fifteen years later, on October 12, 1886, Henry Shaum was ordained a bishop, and served until shortly before his death in 1892.

Although the ministerial work of Henry Shaum was largely in Elkhart County, and particularly in the Olive Church, he also had frequent missions to other regions. On March 8, 1875, at the conference in Elkhart he was one of two that were appointed to go to Ohio and solicit aid for the Russian families without means at Florence, Kansas.

his trip he was in Allen, Wayne, Medina, Stark, Holmes, and Columbiana Counties. He made a number of preaching tours to Michigan, several times going as far as Petoskey and Brutus; on these occasions he preached at various places in schoolhouses and in private homes. In 1885, from August 11 to September 9, Henry Shaum and wife spent about a month in Kansas and Missouri, and in 1887 he and John F. Funk took a trip to eastern Pennsylvania. On this latter trip, lasting from September 7 to October 10, he held appointments at a very large number of places, and preached in both the German and English languages. Lancaster, Bucks, Montgomery, and Northampton Counties were included in the tour, the latter being the place of his birth, and where he still had relatives. At various times he attended conferences in Ohio and Illinois, and at least once, in 1891, in Canada, and on these trips he filled many preaching appointments.

As a Gospel minister and bishop Henry Shaum was earnest and zealous. It was his chief desire that the church might be preserved in the doctrine and faith of the fathers, and that peace and unity might be preserved; it was his greatest joy that souls were converted to God and brought into fellowship with the church; it was his constant prayer and desire that the young people might be gathered in and saved. He prayed much for the salvation of his own children.

Henry Shaum died at midnight, October 2, 1892, aged 46 years, 8 months. An immense concourse of people assembled at his funeral on Wednesday, October 5, at the Olive Church.

Elizabeth (Holdeman) Shaum, who survived her husband nearly two and one-half years, was a kind and loving mother, an earnest and devoted Christian much interested in the welfare of the Church; her place in the meeting-house was seldom vacant as long as she was able to go. She was fully resigned to the will of God, and His promises were a source of comfort to her.

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Children of Henry and Elizabeth (Holdeman) Shaum:

1. Infant son, born June 10, 1848; died June 13, 1848.
2. Nancy Ann Shaum, born May 19, 1850; died September 10, 1907. Aged 57 years, 3 months, 21 days.
3. Sarah Ellen Shaum, born September 29, 1852; died

- August 12, 1868. Aged 15 years, 10 months, 13 days.
4. Emeline Shaum, born March 16, 1856; died February 5, 1884. Aged 27 years, 10 months, 19 days.
 5. Rebecca Jane Shaum, born May 11, 1858; died February 14, 1891. Aged 32 years, 9 months, 3 days.
 6. Isaiah Shaum, born February 12, 1860; died July 15, 1932. Aged 72 years, 5 months, 3 days.
 7. Amanda Shaum, born July 22, 1862; died June 28, 1914. Aged 51 years, 11 months, 6 days.
 8. Harvey H. Shaum, born October 16, 1864; died August 15, 1896. Aged 31 years, 9 months, 29 days.
 9. William Henry Shaum, born January 22, 1868; died June 6, 1900. Aged 32 years, 4 months, 14 days.
 10. Amos Shaum, born November 17, 1869.
 11. Mary Alice Shaum, born October 12, 1872; died February 15, 1889. Aged 16 years, 4 months, 3 days.
 12. Saloma Shaum, born April 15, 1875.

Fourth Generation

Nancy Shaum was married January 6, 1867 in Elkhart County, Indiana to Charles S. Miller, son of Joseph Miller, born January 22, 1808, and Catherine Selner, born May 11, 1811. The latter was a first cousin of Christian Holdeman, with whose descendants this book is concerned, and was daughter of Catherine Haldeman and Daniel Selner. Joseph and Catherine (Selner) Miller came from Bucks County, Pennsylvania, to Wayne County, Ohio, as did the Christian Holdeman family, and the Andrew and Susanna (Haldeman) Wisler family. The Joseph Miller family removed in 1844 from Wayne County, Ohio, to Huntington County, Indiana. They started with a wagon and team, which became stuck in the mud; the wagon and team were then put on a canal boat and brought down the Wabash and Erie Canal to Huntington, Indiana. Near there Joseph Miller bought 160 acres of land, and erected a log house. He was a miller by trade. He erected a steam saw mill, one of the first using steam power in that section. In 1864 he sold the farm and removed to Baugo Township, Elkhart County, Indiana, where he purchased the Christian Nusbaum farm, later occupied by Christian N. Holdeman, and now by Bert Cook.

Joseph and Catherine (Selner) Miller had thirteen children, and three of their sons were soldiers in the Civil War.

A daughter, Elizabeth Miller, married Samuel W. Holdeman, and a granddaughter, Carrie Ellen Miller, married Amos Lechlitner. These records are elsewhere in this book.

Charles S. Miller was born September 29, 1844, and died July 26, 1926; aged 81 years, 9 months, 27 days. He had been a soldier in the Civil War, having enlisted in February, 1865, in Company A of the 152 Indiana Volunteer Infantry. He purchased a farm five miles south of Elkhart, in section thirty-six of Baugo Township. It was located on the east-side of the road adjacent to the farm purchased by Joseph Miller; it is also directly north of the John Yoder farm where Harrison Miller now lives. Charles S. and Nancy (Shaum) Miller were Mennonites.

They had one son and one daughter:

1. Harrison Miller, born February 20, 1868.
2. Ida Bell Miller, born July 27, 1871.

Fifth Generation

Harrison Miller was married November 26, 1892 near Goshen, Indiana, to Elizabeth Lehman, born July 8, 1870, in Livingston County, Illinois, daughter of Peter Y. and Lydia Ann (Good) Lehman. She died December 9 1930; aged 60 years, 5 months, 1 day. Harrison Miller has been a farmer, and a road building contractor. He is a member of the Methodist Church.

Children:

1. Florence Viola Miller, born February 17, 1894.
2. Louis Orville Miller, born January 27, 1896
3. Marion Ivan Miller, born March 29, 1901.
4. LaMar Harrison Miller, born January 4, 1906.

Harrison Miller was married June 27, 1936, to Susie Huneryager of Elkhart. They live five miles south of Elkhart on what was known as the John Yoder farm.

Sixth Generation

Florence Viola Miller was married March 22, 1921 to Howard F. Christner, born August 14, 1897 in Elkhart, Indiana, son of John M. and Minnie M. (Smith) Christner. He has been an accountant and book-keeper, and has served as City Treasurer of Elkhart, where they live.

One son was born:

1. Howard Franklin Christner, Jr., born November 13, 1921.

Sixth Generation

Louis Orville Miller was married November 2, 1921 to Daphne L. Grady, born January 29, 1895, at Howe, Indiana, daughter of Andrew and Frances (Phiels) Grady. She had been a registered nurse. He had been a contractor, but at present owns and operates in partnership with his brother the Miller Restaurant in Goshen, Indiana.

One daughter was born:

1. Frances Elizabeth Miller, born February 22, 1925.

Sixth Generation

Marion Ivan Miller was married May 3, 1925 to Delpha Elizabeth Holderman, born June 20, 1900 in Humphreys County, Tennessee, daughter of Deo T. and Mary E. (Slo-necker) Holderman. She had been a stenographer. He had also been a contractor, and is now an owner of Miller's Restaurant in Goshen, Indiana.

Sixth Generation

LaMar Harrison Miller was married August 3, 1924 to Mildred Probst, born September 4, 1906 at Union, Michigan, daughter of Wilbur and Magdalena (Miller) Probst. They are engaged in farming near Union, Michigan.

Children:

1. Don L. Miller, born March 25, 1925.
2. Virginia Lee Miller, born October 26, 1927.

Fifth Generation

Ida Bell Miller was married September 26, 1888 to Myron O. BeMiller, son of Jacob and Emma (Morris) BeMiller. He was born November 7, 1866, and died October 8, 1924; aged 57 years, 11 months, 1 day.

Farmer. Elkhart, Indiana, R. R 4. Methodist.

Children:

1. Maude BeMiller, born June 17, 1891.
2. Ruth BeMiller, born February 24, 1895.
3. Mary Josephine BeMiller, born January 8, 1904; died August 22, 1905.

Sixth Generation

Maude BeMiller was married December 31, 1913 to Irvin Eby, born October 9, 1892, son of Noah and Laura (Moon) Eby.

Farmer. Elkhart, Indiana, R. R. 4. Methodist.

Children:

1. Ruth Louise Eby, born December 23, 1920.
2. Wendell B. Eby, born January 4, 1926.
3. Laura Bell Eby, born November 28, 1928.

Sixth Generation

Ruth BeMiller was married December 24, 1919 to George Herrli, born February 7, 1894, son of Fred and Margaret (Bangerter) Herrli.

Farmer. Osceola, Indiana. Methodist.

Children:

1. Richard George Herrli, born April 15, 1921.
2. Eldon Myron Herrli, born April 6, 1925.
3. Loren Dale Herrli, born July 4, 1927.
4. Christine Norma Herrli, born January 2, 1930.

Fourth Generation

Emeline Shaum was married to Simon Hernley, born March 11, 1858. He died September 29, 1881, aged 23 years, 6 months, 18 days.

One child was born to them:

1. Warren C. Hernley, born August 23, 1879; died February 25, 1882.

Emeline Shaum Hernley was married March 25, 1883 to Noah Grabill, born May 25, 1850 in Rockingham County, Virginia, son of Samuel and Susanna (Wenger) Grabill. In 1856 he came with his parents to Livingston County, Illinois, where they settled on a farm on which a part of Cullom is now built. The land there was then worth \$1.25 per acre. In 1895 Noah Grabill and family came to Elkhart County, Indiana and bought the John Holdeman farm east of Goshen, in Clinton Township. Aaron Holdeman was living there and farming at the time. Noah and Emeline (Shaum Hernley) Grabill were members of the Mennonite Church.

One son was born:

1. Francis Grabill, born January 19, 1884, on the Henry Shaum farm south of Elkhart.

Noah Grabill later married Sarah Weaver, his first wife Emeline having died about a year after their marriage.

Fifth Generation

Francis Grabill was married October 29, 1904 to Fannie Troyer of near Middlebury, Indiana. Two months later, De-

cember 29, 1904, she was called home through an accident. Francis Grabill was married the second time March 8, 1908 to Elma Mishler, born May 5, 1886, daughter of Jerry and Mary Ann (Conrad) Mishler. He is engaged in truck farming and lives at 602 North 5th Street, Goshen, Indiana. They are members of the River Brethren Church.

Children:

1. Delight Almira Grabill, born August 16, 1909.
2. Gladwin J. Grabill, born May 8, 1911.
3. Gladys Amelia Grabill, born April 7, 1913.
4. Grace Emeline Grabill, born December 14, 1915.
5. Lester Lethan Grabill, born September 23, 1917.
6. Lois Marie Grabill, born August 12, 1921.
7. Alice Eleanor Grabill, born June 12, 1925.

Sixth Generation

Delight Almira Grabill was married October 15, 1930 to Daniel Frederick Gall, born September 14, 1905 in Marshall County, Indiana, son of Harley and Ella (Lemler) Gall. Farmer. Syracuse, Indiana. Church of the Brethren.

Sixth Generation

Gladwin J. Grabill was married September 8, 1932 to Etta Marie Long, born April 15, 1909 in Millersburg, Indiana, daughter of Joseph A. and Ada L. (Sisco) Long. They live in Goshen, Indiana, where he is a bookkeeper in the offices of the City Light and Water Works.

They have a son:

1. Jerry Grabill, born May 27, 1934.

Sixth Generation

Gladys Amelia Grabill was married December 5, 1931 to Huber Rodebaugh, born December 27, 1909 in Noble County, Indiana, son of Alonzo Rodebaugh. She lives in Goshen, Indiana.

One daughter was born to them:

1. Nancy Ellen Rodebaugh, born October 27, 1932.

Sixth Generation

Grace Emeline Grabill was married April 19, 1936 to Donald Mast. They live in Goshen, Indiana, and are members of the Church of the Brethren.

Fourth Generation

Rebecca Jane Shaum was married July 19, 1874 to Alec L. Mishler. He was an engineer on the N. Y. C. Railroad.

They lived in Elkhart, Indiana, and also for a time in Branch County, Michigan.

Three sons were born to them:

1. Oliver Mishler, born November 23, 1878 in Elkhart, Indiana.
2. Walter Mishler, born 1881; died 1883.
3. Nelson Mishler, died in infancy.

Fifth Generation

Oliver Mishler was married at Middlebury, Indiana, May 6, 1906 to Elizabeth Messner, born January 23, 1882. She died March 11, 1926. He is a mechanical engineer, and was employed in the Goshen Bag Factory and later in the Gary Steel Mills. For a time he was bailiff in the Gary City Court. They later moved to Los Angeles, California.

They had one daughter:

1. Jane Elizabeth Mishler, born August 9, 1910 in Goshen, Indiana.

Oliver Mishler was married the second time September 19, 1928 to Flossie Atchison. He is a Presbyterian and their address is 628 E. 22nd St., Los Angeles.

Sixth Generation

Jane Elizabeth Mishler was married in Los Angeles to George Naftzger, born February 13, 1900 in South Bend, Indiana, son of Sherman and Ollie (Sweet) Naftzger.

Painter. South Bend, Indiana. Methodist.

Children:

1. Sherman Oliver Naftzger, born March 13, 1933.
2. Marvin Earl Naftzger, born January 4, 1936.

Fourth Generation

Isaiah Shaum was married November 4, 1881 to Mary A. James, daughter of John and Margaret (Bollander) James. She was born January 29, 1859, and died February 4, 1933; aged 74 years, 5 days. Isaiah Shaum was during most of his life an engineer. He operated a tile mill at the north end of Olive Township west of the Olive Church; moved to La-grange County where he farmed five years; returned to Olive Township, Elkhart County, and was engineer in the Waka-rusa Flour Mill nine years; moved to Goshen, Indiana, and was engineer seventeen years in the Hawks Furniture Factory; and was later engineer in the Elkhart Rubber Works

although he continued to live in Goshen. They were members of the Methodist Church.

Children :

1. Edith Shaum, born August 15, 1882 in Elkhart; died March 24, 1924. Aged 41 years, 7 months, 9 days.
2. Sadie Shaum, born August 10, 1885 in Olive Township, Elkhart County, Indiana.
3. Gertrude Shaum, born March 10, 1888 in Olive Township, Elkhart County, Indiana.
4. Edna Shaum, born September 21, 1891 in Lagrange County, Indiana.
5. Goldie Shaum, born March 10, 1894 in Olive Township, Elkhart County, Indiana; died April 13, 1894.
6. Norris Shaum, born February 21, 1895 in Jamestown, Indiana; died May 14, 1920. Aged 25 years, 2 months, 23 days.

Norris Shaum served in France during the World War in A. E. F. Company, 56 Artillery. He died shortly after returning to the United States.

Fifth Generation

Edith Shaum was married April 19, 1901 to William Roscoe Henderson, born May 9, 1882, son of John and Harriet Olive (Johnson) Henderson. He died May 9, 1935, aged 53 years. He was a cook for the New York Central signal department. They lived in Osceola, Indiana, and were members of the Methodist Church.

Children, born in Osceola, Indiana:

1. Harriet Belle Henderson, born December 8, 1901.
2. Ramson Jay Henderson, born July 27, 1903.
3. Mary Ellen Henderson, born September 4, 1905.
4. Kenneth Roscoe Henderson, born April 29, 1908.
5. John Isaiah Henderson, born January 2, 1910.
6. William Howard Henderson, born April 21, 1913.
7. James Herold Henderson, born January 21, 1921.
8. Grace Lovan Henderson, born March 25, 1924; died March 30, 1924.

William Howard Henderson is a barber and lives in Osceola, Indiana.

James Herold Henderson lives in Osceola, Indiana, with Mrs. Ray Long, a sister of William Roscoe Henderson.

Sixth Generation

Harriet Belle Henderson was married January 27, 1917 to Verne Anders, son of Ira and Emma Anders.

One child was born:

1. Edith Lucille Anders, born April 7, 1919.

Harriet Belle Henderson was married the second time May 6, 1931 to Loyal Stewart, born July 4, 1899 in Waka-rusa, Indiana, son of Charles and Sarah Jane (Rush) Stewart. He is a painter and they live in Elkhart, Indiana, 1103 West Beardsley Ave.

Sixth Generation

Ramson Jay Henderson was married in November, 1930 to Agnes She was born in New York City. Ramson Jay Henderson entered the navy in May, 1924, and lives in Long Beach, California.

Sixth Generation

Mary Ellen Henderson was married June 30, 1923 to Wilbur Eash, son of William and Bertha (Gepphart) Eash. They live in Elkhart, Indiana.

Children:

1. Edith May Eash, born May 10, 1925.
2. Harold Jay Eash, born August 15, 1927; died April 28, 1928.
3. Charles Leroy Eash, born February 6, 1929.
4. Clifford Eugene Eash, born May 9, 1931.

Sixth Generation

Kenneth Roscoe Henderson was married September 24, 1928 to Edna Sumpter, born May 10, 1907 in Milford, Indiana, daughter of Albert and Mary (Fox) Sumpter. He is a car repair man in Elkhart, Indiana, and they live in Osceola, Indiana.

One child:

1. Richard Eugene Henderson, born June 3, 1929.

Sixth Generation

John Isaiah Henderson was married September 18, 1928 to Goldie Alice Krull, daughter of Wilbur and Florence (Watkins) Krull. He is a barber, and they live in Osceola, Indiana.

Fifth Generation

Sadie Shaum was married June 19, 1909 to Sydney Dewey, born November 5, 1883, son of Clay and Martha (Berkey)

Dewey. They had lived in Bristol, Indiana, but moved to Goshen in 1923. He is a laundryman, and their address is 806 South Third Street.

Children:

1. Ihre Fern Dewey, born September 3, 1910; died July 21, 1917. Aged 6 years, 10 months, 18 days.
2. Evelyn Gladys Dewey, born September 13, 1911.
3. Helen Gertrude Dewey, born May 11, 1913.
4. Doris Ione Dewey, born July 21, 1917.

Sixth Generation

Helen Gertrude Dewey was married June 30, 1934 to Charles Edwin Anglemyer, born July 18, 1911, son of Reuben and Maude M. (Ganger) Anglemyer. They live in Goshen, Indiana.

Fifth Generation

Gertrude Shaum was married March 24, 1910 to Charles George Warren Howell. He is a rural mail carrier and they live in Goshen, Indiana, 1409 So. Eighth St. They are members of the Church of the Brethren.

They have one daughter (adopted):

1. Alice Howell.

Fifth Generation

Edna Shaum was married March 24, 1910 to Charles Grant, born November 21, 1890, son of William and Ella (Schuster) Grant.

Goshen, Indiana, 907 So. Main St. Grocery clerk. Christian Church.

Children:

1. Charles Jr., Grant, born February 16, 1911; died July 31, 1915.
2. Margaret Elizabeth Grant, born August 28, 1913.
3. Maxwell George Grant, born June 21, 1915.
4. Dean Wesley Grant, born May 20, 1919.

Sixth Generation

Maxwell George Grant was married December 21, 1935 to Marye LaRue, born December 29, 1913. They live in Goshen, Indiana.

Fourth Generation

Amanda Shaum was married December 22, 1888 in Elkhart County, Indiana, to Henry Long, son of Jacob and Catherine (Acker) Long. He was born April 6, 1863, in Medina

County, Ohio, came with his parents to Clay County, Indiana in 1865, and two years later to Elkhart County, Indiana. He united with the Mennonite Church in 1892 and lived a devoted Christian life. About March 1, 1900 he went to Austell, Georgia, became ill with typhoid fever, and died June 16, 1900; aged 37 years, 2 months, 9 days.

Amanda Shaum was married the second time March 16, 1905 to Rev. Sydna Lambert. He was a minister in the Mennonite Brethren in Christ Church.

One child was born:

1. Ruby Eleanor Lambert, born March 11, 1907; died December 10, 1912.

Fourth Generation

William Henry Shaum was married September 29, 1888 to Rose BeMiller, born July 20, 1868 in Elkhart County, Indiana, daughter of Jacob and Emma (Morris) BeMiller.

Farmer. Elkhart, Indiana. Methodist.

Children:

1. Ernest Shaum, born November 17, 1890.
2. Grace Shaum, born August 18, 1895.
3. Elenore Shaum, born April 4, 1900.

Fifth Generation

Ernest Shaum was married February 24, 1917 to Agnes Housour, born January 18, 1896, daughter of Alvin and Anna (Wisler) Housour.

Farmer. Elkhart, Indiana.

Children:

1. Lowell Ernest Shaum, born October 15, 1917.
2. Levon Alvin Shaum, born January 15, 1921.
3. Lewis Dean Shaum, born December 26, 1924.
4. Anna Rose Shaum, born December 27, 1927.

Sixth Generation

Lowell Ernest Shaum was married August 8, 1936 to Lucille Walter, born April 14, 1918, daughter of Carl and Ruth (Mann) Walter.

Fifth Generation

Grace Shaum was married November 23, 1912 to Clarence Charles Kelley, born May 28, 1886, son of Fred and Amelia (Wiegler) Kelley. They live near Mishawaka, Indiana, and he is a dealer in new and used machinery—tractors, threshers, combines, and a full line of Allis-Chalmers

farm implements. He is also a thresher, and a dealer in road gravel.

Children;

1. Leon Bernard Kelley, born April 16, 1913.
2. Robert Ernest Kelley, born April 23, 1915.
3. Clarence Richard Kelley, born June 6, 1917.

Sixth Generation

Leon Bernard Kelley was married July 20, 1933 to Mary Louise Beehler, born in October, 1915 at Mishawaka, Indiana, daughter of Charles and Mayne (Gooley) Beehler. He is associated with C. C. Kelley & Sons, dealers in machinery and road gravel near Mishawaka, Indiana.

A daughter was born:

1. Nancy Lee Kelley, born October 28, 1935 near Mishawaka, Indiana.

Sixth Generation

Robert Ernest Kelley was married July 10, 1935 to Alice Virginia Dawson, born January 6, 1916 at Michigan City, Indiana, daughter of Floyd and Blanche (Hielman) Dawson. He also is associated with C. C. Kelley & Sons, dealers in machinery and road gravel, and lives near Mishawaka, Indiana.

Fifth Generation

Elenore Shaum was married September 4, 1916 to Earl A. Cook, born December 11, 1893, son of William D. and Martha M. (Holdeman) Cook.

Farmer. Elkhart, Indiana. Methodist.

Children:

1. Doris Geneva Cook, born January 4, 1918.
2. Phyllis June Cook, born June 28, 1922.
3. Glenn Earl Cook, born September 9, 1931.

Fourth Generation

Amos Shaum was married April 2, 1892 to Mary C. Stauffer. They live on a farm near Dunlaps, in Elkhart County, Indiana, and are members of the Mennonite Church.

Children:

1. Warren E. Shaum, born April 20, 1893; died March 19, 1896.
2. Oliver H. Shaum, born January 27, 1898.
3. Morris C. Shaum, born March 18, 1904.

Fifth Generation

Oliver H. Shaum was married October 31, 1918 to Mary Lynn of Elkhart, Indiana.

Fourth Generation

Saloma Shaum was married January 16, 1892 to William H. Moyer, son of William and Maria (Nusbaum) Moyer. They live on a farm in Baugo Township, and their address is Elkhart, Indiana. They are members of the Mennonite Brethren in Christ Church.

Children:

1. Vernon Louis Moyer, born October 31, 1893.
2. Merl Ray Moyer, born July 4, 1896.
3. Ruby Elizabeth Moyer, born February 26, 1900.
4. Carl Eldon Moyer, born June 14, 1906.
5. Glen Alpheus Moyer, born April 3, 1910.

Vernon L. Moyer is a farmer in Baugo Township, Elkhart County. He is unmarried.

Fifth Generation

Merl R. Moyer was married December 23, 1915 to Vera Elder, daughter of Eli and Anna (Little) Elder.

Farmer. Osceola, Indiana.

Children:

1. Max Eugene Moyer, born June 28, 1917; died June 29, 1930. Aged 13 years, 1 day.
2. Anna Ruby Moyer, born January 11, 1920.
3. Frances Elizabeth Moyer, born March 17, 1925.
4. Gene William Moyer, born April 11, 1935.

Fifth Generation

Ruby E. Moyer was married September 26, 1920 to Floyd Paulus.

Farmer. Elkhart, Indiana.

Fifth Generation

Carl E. Moyer was married December 24, 1932 to Evelyn Lucille Wenger, born February 4, 1906, daughter of Daniel and Ann (Holdeman) Wenger. She was a trained nurse. He is a painter at the Adams-Westlake Co. in Elkhart, Indiana, and they live at 1627 Elreno Street.

To them was born:

1. Rex Carlton Moyer, born December 8, 1935.

Third Generation

John Holdeman was married in June, 1852 to Elizabeth Ritter, born March 9, 1834 in Wayne County, Ohio, daughter of John and Elizabeth (Shriner) Ritter. She died April 9, 1932, at the home of her son, Alpheus Holdeman, near Hutchinson, Kansas, aged 98 years, 1 month. The Ritter, Holdeman, and Shaum families lived in the same community in Chester Township, Wayne County, Ohio.

John Holdeman was a thoughtful and impressionable youth, and at the age of twelve years had a distinct religious experience, as a result of which he resolved to withdraw from sinful and disorderly companions. The resolve was soon forgotten, however, and he continued living an unregenerated life until the age of twenty-one years, when the burden of sin became heavy. He was moved through prayer to seek grace and forgiveness, and after a great conflict sought baptism. In October, 1853, he was baptized and admitted into the Mennonite Church by Bishop Abraham Rohrer, and was a member of the Eight Square congregation. After baptism he became a diligent reader of the Scriptures, and the ecclesiastical writings of Menno Simons, Dietrich Phillips, and others. He felt himself called to be a minister of the Gospel, and soon also became convinced that the Mennonite Church had departed from some of the teachings of Menno Simons. His convictions for the ministry increased, and four years after baptism he was especially touched by the Holy Spirit; accordingly on Sunday, January 24, 1858, he preached in his own home to an audience of eleven persons, including members of his family, speaking earnestly two hours. In 1859, at the age of twenty-seven years, he left the Mennonite Church, and began to preach regularly. He believed that he was called directly by God, without human instrumentality, to the ministry, and that he was chosen to be a leader of the only true and living Church of God. It was his conviction that the Mennonite Church had departed from the faith, and since she refused to be reformed, the true Church passed to him and his followers.

Energetically he devoted himself to the work of the ministry, and burned much midnight oil reading and writing. He became a fairly voluminous writer, and wrote books in both the German and English languages. He acquired also

a knowledge of Dutch, and through the possession of a Bible in several languages, a small amount of Latin and Greek. With an undying zeal for evangelization and for the success of his enterprise he spent approximately one-half of the time from 1870 to 1900, often at his own expense, in evangelistic service from Pennsylvania, Maryland, and Virginia in the East to Colorado and Manitoba in the West.

From the beginning John Holdeman had some followers, and until the year 1878 they held services in the homes of the members. In that year a church was built on the northwest corner of the southwest quarter of Section Twenty-one in Chester Township, Wayne County, Ohio. The land on which the church was built belonged to Amos Holdeman, father of John Holdeman.

During the great immigration of 1874-1875 one of the colonies had come from Poland under the leadership of Tobias Unruh. This colony was financially in need, and after being abandoned by their leader, was in need of spiritual help as well. The members of the colony settled in the vicinity of Canton, Kansas, and were known as Cantoners. After Tobias Unruh deserted them, and left for South Dakota, John Holdeman came into their midst and gave them a new spiritual objective. He received them by baptism into his organization. Later, about the year 1881, he labored in Manitoba, where many Russian immigrants



John Holdeman Home, Wayne County, Ohio.

had settled, and organized a congregation composed chiefly of members of the group known as "Kleine Gemeinde", but including also some from other Russian groups.

About the year 1882 he sold his farm of seventy-three acres, which was a part of the south half of the southwest quarter of Section Twenty-one. In 1883 he moved with his family to Jasper County, Missouri; he was accompanied by his father, and nearly all the members of the Amos Holdeman family, and the members of the new Church which lived in Wayne County, Ohio. He then purchased a farm in Jasper County, Missouri, and lived there until 1898, when he moved to Lone Tree, near Galva, McPherson County, Kansas.

John Holdeman lived a strict and pious Christian life. Usually he carried a Bible, and even while working in the fields often stopped the team for a few minutes and read. He was considerate of the poor and needy, denying himself and his own to help them. He was a very strict observer of the Lord's day, and did as much of the daily chores on Saturday as possible in order to lessen the work on Sunday. He desired that his children read the Bible on Sunday, instead of playing as most children do. During the busy summer season he always helped the family on the farm. He possessed friendly qualities and a loving disposition, but was firm in his faith and convictions. In apparel and otherwise he evaded all manner of appearance of pride, and strove to the last to exemplify the Christ life. He died March 10, 1900 at Lone Tree, McPherson County, Kansas.

The Church of God is the name given by John Holdeman to the Church he organized. As there are other denominations by that name, in Christ was affixed. It is now commonly classed as one of the branches of the Mennonite Church, and is known as The Church of God in Christ, Mennonite. It has had a slow but steady growth. In 1865 there were twenty members, but through the work and leadership of John Holdeman among the Russian immigrants the growth has been more rapid since 1875. In 1906 there were 562 members, in 1916 the records indicated 1125 members, in 1926 the recorded membership was 1832, and at the present time (1937) the membership numbers 2700. There are about 1100 in Canada, and 1600 in the United

States. The states where congregations have been established are: Kansas, Oklahoma, Michigan, Ohio, North Dakota, California, Missouri, and Texas.

The Church of God in Christ, Mennonite, adheres to the fundamentals of early conservative Mennonitism. Simplicity is taught and practiced, and a strict discipline is maintained. During the World War it was one of the most consistent among Mennonite groups in adhering to the principles of non-resistance. The members of this church are energetic in home mission work and in evangelization, and have developed an effective organization for the ministry of the Gospel through Sunday schools, conferences, preaching evangelism, and the distribution of literature.

The printed page was much used by John Holdeman for establishing his conviction of a divine calling and for religious instruction. He was the author of the following books and pamphlets: *Der Alte Grund und Fundament*, 1862, 146 pp.; *The Old Ground and Foundation*, 1863, 259 pp.; *A Reply to the Criticisms of J. W. Roseborough*, 1864, 46 pp.; *Eine Vertheidigung Gegen die Verfalscher unserer Schriften*, 1865, 43 pp.; *Eine Geschichte der Gemeinde Gottes*, 1875, 152 pp.; *A History of the Church of God*, 1876, 303 pp.; *Ein Spiegel der Wahrheit*, 1878, 408 pp.; *Eine Geschichte der Gemeinde Gottes*, 1879 (an enlargement and revision of the work of the same title of 1875); *Eine Kurze Widerlegung von Schwedenborg's unschriftmassiger Behauptung*, 1889, 16 pp.; *A Brief Refutation of Swedenborg's Unscriptural Assumption*, 1889; *A Treatise on Redemption, Baptism, and the Passover and the Lord's Supper*, 1890, 250 pp.; *A Treatise of Magistracy and War, Millennium, Holiness, and the Manifestation of Spirits*, 1891, 303 pp.; *Eine Grundliche Abhandlung von dem Schriftwidrigen Entstehen der Siebenten Tag Adventisten*, 1894, 64 pp.; *Ein Augsatz von Unmoglichkeiten*, 1893 (?), 8 pp. (The above are usually not complete titles, and some are English translations of works first written in German). In 1924 was published *Christian Nurture of Children*, 19 pp., translated from *Speigel der Wahrheit*.

In 1897 John Holdeman founded the *Botschafter der Wahrheit*, and served as its editor until his death. It was a monthly from its first appearance in June, 1897, until January, 1920; since the latter date it is a semi-monthly.

The *Messenger of Truth* was founded in 1903, and was published monthly until 1918, when it became a bi-weekly.

Children of John and Elizabeth (Ritter) Holdeman, born near Wooster, Ohio:

1. Lavina Holdeman, born April 1, 1853; died March 1, 1859. Aged 5 years, 11 months.
2. Isaiah Holdeman, born October 20, 1855; died January 3, 1863. Aged 7 years, 2 months, 14 days.
3. Anna Holdeman, born February 21, 1858; died December 7, 1926. Aged 68 years, 9 months, 16 days.
4. Catharine Holdeman, born November 6, 1860; died July 29, 1863. Aged 2 years, 8 months, 23 days.
5. Alpha Ritter Holdeman, born April 21, 1863.
6. Samuel R. Holdeman, born June 30, 1866.

Fourth Generation

Anna Holdeman was married July 2, 1876 in Wayne County, Ohio to Cornelius Gnagy, born February 11, 1851, near Eglon, in Preston County, West Virginia, son of Samuel and Elizabeth (Schlabach) Gnagy. He died February 16, 1936 at the home of Irwin H. Gnagy, in Hutchinson, Kansas, aged 85 years, 5 days. For them "John Holdeman had built a house at the west end of his farm along the road at the end of the lane. This house was moved some years later onto the Amos Shaum farm by Henry Imhoff, who then owned the farm. In the year 1930, Christian Begley built a brick house on the same place where the Gnagy house stood, he owning the John Holdeman farm." * Cornelius and Anna (Holdeman) Gnagy moved to Missouri in 1883, and later to Kansas, where they settled near Moundridge. He was a carpenter. They later moved to Pretty Prairie where they had a small General Store. They were members of the Church of God in Christ, Mennonite.

Children, born near Wooster, Ohio:

1. Frank Gnagy, born June 10, 1877.
2. Irwin H. Gnagy, born July 30, 1880.

Fifth Generation

Frank Gnagy was married January 18, 1904 to Lena Manny, born July 22, 1886, daughter of Felix and Josie (La Cost) Manny. He is a carpenter. They live at 327 N. Tucker St., Shawnee, Oklahoma, and are members of the First Baptist Church.

* Rutt, **History of Chester Township, Wayne County, Ohio**, p. 143.

Children:

1. Josie Anna Gnagy, born July 23, 1905; died July 28, 1906.
2. Neal Preston Gnagy, born August 9, 1907; died August 9, 1907.
3. Helen Almeta Gnagy, born December 12, 1909; died December 15, 1909.
4. Goldie Mae Gnagy, born April 15, 1911.
5. Leslie Roland Gnagy, born December 11, 1912.
6. Manuel Frances Gnagy, born August 23, 1915; died August 23, 1915.
7. Oletha Pearl Gnagy, born March 22, 1917.

Sixth Generation

Goldie Mae Gnagy was married August 11, 1929 to Sidney E. Goodson.

Shawnee, Oklahoma. Baptist.

To them was born:

1. Sanoma Lee Goodson, born May 9, 1930; died May 10, 1930.

Fifth Generation

Irwin H. Gnagy was married October 15, 1902 at Newton, Kansas, to Mary H. Leatherman, born August 8, 1884 near Wadsworth, Ohio, daughter of Jacob and Christena (Hauenstein) Leatherman.

Carpenter. Hutchinson, Kansas.

Children, born at Pretty Prairie, Kansas:

1. Clarence Irwin Gnagy, born July 17, 1903.
2. Bertha Mae Gnagy, born January 3, 1905.
3. John Harvey Gnagy, born January 13, 1907.
4. Frederic Burton Gnagy, born March 6, 1909.
5. Ray Oliver Gnagy, born March 28, 1911.
6. Ida Ruth Gnagy, born October 4, 1912.

Sixth Generation

Clarence Irwin Gnagy was married June 14, 1924 to Ethel Fern Lentz, born November 11, 1907, daughter of Henry and Grace (Westfall) Lentz. American Railway and Express Truck Driver. 1414 W. 2nd St., Hutchinson, Kansas.

Children, born at Hutchinson, Kansas:

1. Rozella Lucile Gnagy, born February 3, 1929.
2. Irwin Henry Gnagy, born July 7, 1932.

Sixth Generation

Bertha Mae Gnagy was married October 20, 1923 to Frank S. Brown, son of William and Mae Brown. He died August 15, 1934.

Children:

1. Dorris Marcheta Brown, born September 9, 1929.
2. Stanley Frank Brown, born September 18, 1931.
3. La Vesta Irene Brown, born May 20, 1933.

Sixth Generation

John Harvey Gnagy was married September, 1927 to Mary Jo Hinton, daughter of Allen and Nell Hinton.

Artist. Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Children:

1. Mary Nell Gnagy, born July 9, 1929.
2. Allen Steven Gnagy, born August 26, 1932.

Sixth Generation

Frederic Burton Gnagy was married December 31, 1928 to Ruth Elizabeth Morris, daughter of George Morris.

Welder. 1301 East 10th St., Hutchinson, Kansas.

No children.

Sixth Generation

Ray Oliver Gnagy was married May, 1932 to Morell Brown, daughter of Drew and Corlie (Kerrick) Brown.

Budget manager of the Good Year Store. 702 West 10th St., Hutchinson, Kansas.

To them was born:

1. John Ray Gnagy, born January 3, 1933.

Sixth Generation

Ida Ruth Gnagy was married October 27, 1929 to Norvel Elzey, son of William and Martha (Lincoln) Elzey.

Children:

1. Ramona Louise Elzey, born April 26, 1930.
2. David Lee Elzey, born December 13, 1931.

Fourth Generation

Alpha Ritter Holdeman was married March 4, 1883 to Sarah Ann Capp, born August 25, 1861, at Wadsworth, Ohio, daughter of Abraham B. and Katie (Leatherman) Capp. After leaving Wayne County, Ohio they lived in Jasper County, Missouri, and later moved to Kansas, where he has been a stockman and dairyman. At Hutchinson, Kansas he operated the Holdeman Farm Dairy. He is now

retired and lives at 310 West 25th Street, Hutchinson, Kansas.

To Alpha R. Holdeman and Sarah Ann (Capp) Holdeman were born eight children:

1. James Harvey Holdeman, born November 6, 1884 at Jasper, Missouri.
2. Sarah Elizabeth Holdeman, born March 5, 1886 at Jasper, Missouri.
3. Alpha Abraham Holdeman, born August 14, 1887 at Jasper, Missouri.
4. John B. Holdeman born January 10, 1889 at Jasper, Missouri; died March 14, 1895 at Willow Springs, Missouri.
5. Charles Leroy Holdeman, born November 28, 1890 at Jasper, Missouri.
6. Dora Ann Holdeman, born April 5, 1893 at Willow Springs, Missouri.
7. Flossie Catharine Holdeman, born November 5, 1898 at Wadsworth, Ohio.
8. Mamie Viola Holdeman, born October 27, 1901 at Castleton, Kansas.

Fifth Generation

James Harvey Holdeman was married to Hattie B. Hayes, born December 30, 1888 at Castleton, Kansas, daughter of William and Gabriella (Bane) Hayes. He is a geologist and has done independent geological work in Texas, Oklahoma, Missouri, Kansas, New Mexico, Arkansas, Louisiana, and Alabama. He has also been head of the Geology and Land Department of the Pierce Oil Corporation of New York with headquarters for Oklahoma and Texas at Fort Worth, Texas, and has been President of the American Petroleum Producing Co. He at present lives in Austin, Texas.

Children of James Harvey and Hattie B. (Hayes) Holdeman:

1. Lavina Harvetta Holdeman, born June 7, 1906 at Castleton, Kansas.
2. Arlene Gertrude Holdeman, born November 18, 1912 at Hutchinson, Kansas.

James Harvey Holdeman was married to Alberta Ruby Trostman, born June 8, 1891 at Gibbs City, Missouri,

daughter of Noah W. Holloway and Anna F. (Gordon) Trostman.

Children of James Harvey and Alberta Ruby (Trostman) Holdeman:

1. Ruby Annette Holdeman, born October 21, 1918 at San Antonio, Texas.
2. James Harvey Holdeman, Jr., born December 16, 1919, at Cisco, Texas.

Sixth Generation

Lavina Harvetta Holdeman was married June 27, 1925 at Eastland, Texas to Jesse Murriel Davis, born June 16, 1905 at Castleton, Kansas, son of John and Katherine Theresa (McCaffery) Davis. She is a graduate of Haven, Kansas. He graduated in 1935 from the Law School of the University of Texas, ranking first in his class. He is a member of the law firm of Keys, Holt & Davis with offices in the Nixon Building, Corpus Christi, Texas. Their address is 1411 Fourth St., Spanish Villa No. 8, Corpus Christi, Texas.

They have a daughter:

1. Kay Ilene Davis, born August 10, 1933.

Sixth Generation

Arlene Gertrude Holdeman was married September 20, 1933 at San Marcus, Texas, to William O. Proctor, born March 14, 1910 at Bartlesville, Oklahoma, son of Sidney Owen and Zella Agnes (Russell) Proctor. He is a charter member of the Society of Photogrammetrists of Texas. In 1932 he worked in the drafting division in aerial survey mapping for army engineers at St. Louis, Missouri, and from 1933 to 1936 was engaged in blue printing, aerial drafting and plain drafting with the Mitler Blue Print Co., Austin, Texas, and the Brazas River Conservation and Reclamation District, Temple, Texas. He is at present an engineering draftsman with the city engineer for the city of Austin, Texas.

Arlene Gertrude (Holdeman) Proctor graduated from the Hutchinson, Jr. College, Hutchinson, Kansas, in 1932, and attended the Kansas State Teachers' College at Pittsburg, Kansas. She was a teacher 1932-33 at Simla, Colorado. They live at 4717 Red River, Austin, Texas.

Children, born in Austin, Texas:

1. Terrell William Proctor, born August 4, 1934.
2. Richard Owen Proctor, born November 18, 1935.

Fifth Generation

Sarah Elizabeth Holdeman was married December 21, 1904 to Jared H. Benson, born May 4, 1882, son of W. T. C. and Laura E. (Stuart) Benson. He is a farmer and stockman. They live near Castleton, Kansas and attend the Union Church.

Children, born at Castleton, Kansas:

1. Sarah Evelyn Benson, born October 18, 1905.
2. Leta Belle Benson, born March 25, 1909.
3. Lela Dorotha Benson, born March 25, 1909.
4. Jared Schuyler Benson, born March 3, 1910.

Sixth Generation

Sarah Evelyn Benson was married October 19, 1930 to Orley Smith, born December 25, 1905, son of Albert and Margaret (Ficches) Smith. He is a filling station operator, and they live in Hutchinson, Kansas.

Children, born in Hutchinson, Kansas:

1. Richard Raymond Smith, born October 2, 1931.
2. Orleta June Smith, born October 9, 1933.

Sixth Generation

Leta Belle Benson was married September 27, 1928 to Lester Clark, born September 29, 1908, son of Jesse and Rhoda (Moon) Clark. He is a farmer and stockman, and they live near Castleton, Kansas.

To this union was born:

1. Betty Ilene Clark, born November 27, 1932.

Sixth Generation

Lela Dorotha Benson was married October 19, 1930 to Oran Clark, born September 10, 1911, son of Jesse and Rhoda (Moon) Clark. He is a filling station operator in Hutchinson, Kansas, where they reside.

To this union was born:

1. Billy Dean Clark, born January 16, 1935.

Sixth Generation

Jared Schuyler Benson was married January 7, 1933 to Marie Jones, daughter of O. M. and Alberta Jones.

Farmer and stockman. Hutchinson, Kansas.

Fifth Generation

Alpha Abraham Holdeman was married June 7, 1933 to Mildred Brown, born August 1, 1901, daughter of Charles J. and Laura Brown. They live in Iola, Kansas, where he is in the insurance business. They are members of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

To this union was born:

1. Alpha Abraham Holdeman, born March 13, 1935 at Iola, Kansas. He is Alpha the third.

Fifth Generation

Charles Leroy Holdeman was married March 16, 1910 to Mildred F. Holdeman, born February 23, 1892 near Hesston, Kansas, daughter of Conrad and Sarepta (Ferguson) Holdeman.

Plumber. Hutchinson, Kansas. Methodist.

Children:

1. Lovetta Fern Holdeman, born February 9, 1911 at Canton, Kansas.
2. Donald Eugene Holdeman, born April 20, 1913 at Newton, Kansas.
3. Forrest Clyde Holdeman, born September 16, 1916 at Castleton, Kansas.
4. Shirley Mae Holdeman, born July 11, 1926 at Hutchinson, Kansas.

Sixth Generation

Lovetta Fern Holdeman was married May 16, 1931 to Frank Keeler.

Farmer. Hutchinson, Kansas.

To them was born:

1. Donna Zummetta Keeler, born October 4, 1934.
2. Cecelia Ann Keeler, born February 12, 1937.

Fifth Generation

Dora Ann Holdeman was married May 21, 1912 to John Priheim, son of Peter and Anna (Seiner) Priheim.

Their children were all born at Pretty Prairie, Kansas, and are members of the Christian Church:

1. Dora Violet Priheim, born April 10, 1913.
2. John Leroy Priheim, born June 2, 1914.
3. Neva Anita Priheim, born October 22, 1916.

Dora Ann Holdeman Priheim was married June 3, 1933 to James A. Keena, born May 27, 1894 at Eagle Grove,

Iowa. He is engaged in radiator and battery service at Hutchinson, Kansas, where they reside.

Sixth Generation

Dora Violet Priheim was married October 10, 1934 to Gilford Samuel Higgins. They live in Hutchinson, Kansas.

To this union was born:

1. Kathleen Rae Higgins, born December 29, 1935.

Fifth Generation

Flossie Catharine Holdeman was married November 24, 1917 to Ora Albert Manny, born September 3, 1893, son of Felix and Josephine (LaCost) Manny.

Dairyman. Hutchinson, Kansas. Methodist.

Children:

1. Velva June Manny, born July 9, 1920.
2. Melvin Lee Manny, born October 8, 1921.
3. Betty Ann Manny, born August 11, 1923.
4. Margery Jean Manny, born December 13, 1924.
5. Dorothy Jo Manny, born May 9, 1929.

Fifth Generation

Mamie Viola Holdeman was married June 19, 1920 to Louis B. Barton.

Stenographer. Hutchinson, Kansas. Methodist.

To this union was born:

1. Vivian Marietta Barton, born April 27, 1921.

Fourth Generation

Samuel R. Holdeman was married November 24, 1885 at Carthage, Missouri to Clara Follmer, born December 10, 1869, daughter of Frederick Follmer. In 1892 he travelled through the states of the northwest. Moving to Kansas in 1898 he engaged in farming there, and later in California. He returned to Kansas, and, while living in Hutchinson, was appointed on January 1, 1907 Deputy Sheriff at Hutchinson. He held this office nearly three years, and then moved to Cochise County, Arizona, where he was engaged in the cattle and auctioneer business. In 1912 he was appointed Justice of the Peace and served in that capacity until 1923 when he moved to Glendale, Arizona, where he now resides. At Glendale he was engaged in building and general construction work until January, 1928, when he took over the office of Justice of the Peace to which he had been elected in the previous November. In

1930 he was appointed Police Judge of Glendale which office he at present holds.

To this union were born four children:

1. Florence May Holdeman, born August 8, 1886.
2. Bessie Maud Holdeman, born July 20, 1888.
3. Amos Frederick Holdeman, born August 1, 1890; died September 1906.
4. Ira Franklin Holdeman, born December 21, 1891.

Fifth Generation

Florence May Holdeman was married November 23, 1910 to Dwight T. Lawson, born September 19, 1879, son of John and Mary Elizabeth (Runkle) Lawson. They live in Hutchinson, Kansas.

Children:

1. John Thacker Lawson, born February 28, 1911.
2. Helen Lenore Lawson, born July 4, 1917.
3. Quenton Lawson, born November 25, 1922.
4. Alfred Wayne Lawson, born May 9, 1925.

Sixth Generation

John Thacker Lawson was married July 7, 1934 to Gladys Ralston, born January 29, 1912, daughter of Alex and Jane Ralston.

Fifth Generation

Bessie Maud Holdeman was married April 20, 1915 to James Burnett Lawson, born October 1, 1889, son of Dr. Thomas Chalmers Lawson. He is an electrician for the Southern California Edison Company. They live at 529 No. Encina, Visalia, California, and are members of the Presbyterian Church.

Children:

1. Margaret Marie Lawson, born August 27, 1916.
2. Virginia Clara Lawson, born December 29, 1918.
3. James Barnett Lawson, Jr., born May 22, 1921.
4. Charles Thomas Lawson, born November 13, 1922.

Sixth Generation

Margaret Marie Lawson was married December 14, 1934 to Ray Williams, born January 27, 1914 son of Ralph Raymond Williams.

Fifth Generation

Ira Franklin Holdeman was married June 1, 1917 to Delphina Eby. He is chief clerk for the Southern Counties Gas Company, and has been employed by this company since

1919. Their address is 406 North Greenleaf Avenue, Whittier, California. There are no children.

Third Generation

Susannah Holdeman was married March 31, 1853 to Frank Seidner, who was born February 2, 1833, and died January 6, 1908; aged 74 years, 11 months and 4 days. He was the son of Jacob and Elizabeth () Seidner, who were early settlers in Wayne County, Ohio, and who purchased the Christian Holdeman 160 acre farm elsewhere referred to in this book. Frank Seidner was a school teacher, a farmer, and a minister of the Gospel. He had taught in the old Eight Square school house, located in Chester Township, Wayne County, Ohio, before its abandonment in 1858. Harvey S. Rutt has inserted into his history an incident, as related to him by Samuel Shaum, which happened when Frank Seidner was a teacher.

“Four large boys, Joseph Shaum, Alpheus Holdeman, Christian Holdeman, and Jacob Ritter, went to the blacksmith shop, which was about a quarter of a mile from the schoolhouse. They took an elder filled with powder and threw it on the blacksmith's fire, which caused an explosion. The boys' faces were very much burned and blackened, and when they returned to school, they were very much reprimanded by the teacher who said they must either take a punishment or leave school. They decided to take the punishment.”

While living in Ohio, just before moving to Missouri, Frank Seidner and family lived on what is known as the Anne Nolan farm which was the south one-half of the northeast quarter of section 20 in Chester Township. In 1883 they moved to Jasper County, Missouri, and purchased a farm of 200 acres, on which Frank Seidner and wife lived until called to their rest. He was also a good carpenter, and was successful in locating water.

As a minister Frank Seidner had been affiliated with the church organized by John Holdeman. He was an able speaker, and was the author of a book entitled, “The Body of Christ, Mystical in Crucifixion, Death, Burial and Resurrection of Life”, which was published in 1875 in Wooster, Ohio. Not being in accord with some of the policies of the Holdeman group, relations were severed; but, being at times called on to officiate at funerals, he resumed his ministerial

work independently, and preached where he had the opportunity.

Children:

1. Malinda Seidner, born May 6, 1854; died February 9, 1859. Aged 4 years, 9 months, 3 days.
2. Israel Seidner, born June 23, 1855; died February 13, 1859. Aged 3 years, 7 months, 21 days.
3. Amos Seidner, born March 1, 1858; died November 14, 1909. Aged 51 years, 8 months, 18 days.
4. Emma Seidner, born August 18, 1860; died April 22, 1863. Aged 2 years, 8 months, 4 days.
5. Isaiah Seidner, born September 8, 1862; died August 8, 1927. Aged 64 years, 11 months.
6. Mary Seidner, born November 21, 1864; died October 18, 1921. Aged 56 years 10 months, 27 days.
7. Francis Seidner, born February 27, 1867; died April 1, 1890. Aged 23 years, 1 month, 4 days.
8. Sarah Seidner, born March 26, 1869.
9. Priscilla Seidner, born December 11, 1871; died March 16, 1928. Aged 56 years, 3 months, 5 days.
10. Anna Seidner, born April 1, 1874; died April 5, 1875. Aged 1 year, 4 days.
11. Henry Seidner, born October 2, 1876, died January 16, 1937. Aged 60 years, 3 months, 14 days.

Fourth Generation

Amos Seidner was married May, 1876, to Mary Hauenstein, born April 13, 1859. They lived in Wayne County, Ohio on a farm belonging to his parents; in 1883 they moved to Jasper County, Missouri, where they farmed for nine years, and then lived several years near Willow Springs, Missouri. In 1894 they returned to Ohio, near Ridgeville, Henry County, the girlhood home of Mary Hauenstein Seidner, and in 1900 purchased a home in Pettisville, Ohio, where he was employed in a grain elevator until his death. He was a Bible teacher in the missionary church at Pettisville, and while living in Missouri had been a minister in the Church of God in Christ, Mennonite. In 1924 Mary Hauenstein Seidner moved to Wauseon where she still resides.

Children:

1. Emma A. Seidner, born May 12, 1877; died March 7, 1917. Aged 39 years, 9 months, 25 days.

2. Ida E. Seidner, born August 3, 1879; died June 5, 1909. Aged 29 years, 10 months, 2 days.
3. Lewis O. Seidner, born September 10, 1881.
4. Arminda Seidner, born September 18, 1886.
5. Wallace W. Seidner, born December 4, 1889.
6. Mary Pearl Seidner, born June 15, 1894; died May 19, 1914. Aged 19 years, 11 months, 4 days.
7. Francis LeRoy Seidner, born August 14, 1899.

Fifth Generation

Emma A. Seidner was married February 16, 1898 to William Markley. They lived in Pettisville, Ohio. There were no descendants.

Fifth Generation

Ida E. Seidner was married June 21, 1898 to Oliver L. Hauenstein, born March 21, 1877 near Ridgeville, Ohio, son of Jacob and Barbara (Eicher) Hauenstein. They lived on a farm near Ridgeville, Ohio.

They had one daughter:

1. Florence J. Hauenstein, born June 2, 1909.

Sixth Generation

Florence J. Hauenstein was married February 11, 1928 to Emory Bancroft, born April 30, 1905 at Blissfield, Michigan, son of Elmer and Hattie (Lamont) Bancroft. They live in Morenci, Michigan, 202 E. Congress Street; his occupation is dry cleaning and radio repairing; they are members of the Church of the Brethren.

Children:

1. Joan Shirley Bancroft, born July 14, 1929.
2. Betty Lou Bancroft, born December 18, 1932.

Fifth Generation

Lewis O. Seidner was married to Bertha Crause. They live in Wauseon, Ohio where he is an able engineer and Superintendent of Public Utilities.

To them were born one son and one daughter:

1. Vera Seidner, born March 1, 1903.
2. Earle R. Seidner, born April 25, 1907.

Sixth Generation

Vera Seidner was married July 15, 1923 to Dr. R. O. Buck, born February 24, 1898. He is a specialist of Proctology.

They have one son:

1. Randall O. Buck, born May 28, 1924.

Sixth Generation

Earle R. Seidner was married June 6, 1934 to Charlene Dalrymple, who was born March 14, 1909. He is a college instructor located at Denison University in Granville, Ohio.

They have a daughter:

1. Sally Seidner, born January 16, 1936.

Fifth Generation

Arminda Seidner was married January 2, 1905 to Ralph Earl Kline, born January 29, 1885, son of Matthias and Isabelle Kline. He is an orange grower at Windermere, Florida, where they live. They are affiliated with the Union Church of Windermere.

Fifth Generation

Wallace W. Seidner was married April 14, 1908 to Lillian Reed, daughter of Henry and Elizabeth Reed. He is chief engineer for the Tiedtkes firm of Toledo, Ohio. Their present address is 2437 Hempstead Rd., Ottawa Hills, Toledo.

They have a son:

1. Orville R. Seidner, born November 3, 1909.

Sixth Generation

Orville R. Seidner was married November 16, 1935 to Flaude Losey, daughter of Edward and Ruby Losey. He has been employed in a printing office in Phoenix, Arizona.

Fifth Generation

Francis LeRoy Seidner was married June 20, 1925 to Jessie White, daughter of Abner and Frances (Benton) White.

Mechanic. 303 Shoup Ave., Wauseon, Ohio.

Children:

1. Roger Benton Seidner, born April 18, 1926.
2. Mary Ann Seidner, born March 13, 1932.

Fourth Generation

Isaiah Seidner was married December 4, 1883 to Mary Gearig, daughter of Christian and Polly (Shauntz) Gearig. She was born June 16, 1861, and died June 12, 1932. They had moved from Ohio to Missouri at the time the other members of the Amos Holdeman family did, then returned to Ohio, and in 1905 moved to Oscodo County, near Fairview, Michigan, where they owned a farm on which they lived until their deaths.

Children :

1. Lydia Seidner, born August 18, 1885.
2. Christian Frank Seidner, born July 5, 1887.
3. Infant son, born April 3, 1889; died April 5, 1889.
4. Susan Seidner, born May 2, 1890; died March 24, 1932. Aged 41 years, 8 months, 22 days.
5. Martha Seidner, born May 7, 1892.
6. Aaron Isaiah Seidner, born March 19, 1894; died June 21, 1902. Aged 8 years, 3 months, 3 days.
7. Matilda Seidner, born June 21, 1896; died January 22, 1933. Aged 36 years, 7 months, 1 day.
8. Ada Seidner, born July 28, 1898. Single.
9. Arthur Eldon Seidner, born November 26, 1901.

Fifth Generation

Lydia Seidner was married May 25, 1913 to William Albert Sanderson, born February 28, 1888 in Goderich, Canada, son of Robert and Anna (Slack) Sanderson. They are engaged in farming near Comins, Michigan. He had worked in car shops eight years, and was for fourteen years an agent for the Standard Oil Co., but because of impaired health began to farm.

Children, all born at Comins, Michigan:

1. Ralph Jefferson Sanderson, born June 11, 1915.
2. Lucille Anna Sanderson, born September 18, 1920; died September 21, 1920.
3. Gerald Sanderson, born September 18, 1920; died September 21, 1920.
4. Donald Bruce Sanderson, born April 6, 1925.

Fifth Generation

Christian Frank Seidner was married February 5, 1934 to Nona Alice Reeve, born February 14, 1911 at Conway, Iowa, daughter of George and Lucy (Vaughn) Reeve. He lives on the home farm near Fairview, Michigan.

One daughter:

1. Mary Alice Seidner, born November 22, 1934.

Fifth Generation

Susan Seidner was married January 15, 1917 to William Dintaman, born March 5, 1891 in Gratiot County, Michigan, three miles east of Ithica, son of Abel and Elizabeth (Capp) Dintaman. The Dintaman family had formerly lived near Wooster, Ohio.

Farmer. McBrides, Michigan. Church of the Brethren.

Children:

1. Lawrence William Dintaman, born November 28, 1917.
2. Mary Susan Dintaman, born January 5, 1919.
3. Earl Arthur Dintaman, born March 26, 1920.
4. Ethel Lydia Dintaman, born July 8, 1921.
5. Glen Isaiah Dintaman, born February 3, 1923.
6. Wilbur Franklin Dintaman, born August 28, 1924.
7. Inez Elizabeth Dintaman, born December 18, 1925.
8. Lester Carl Dintaman, born November 11, 1926.
9. Walter Dintaman, born December 9, 1928.
10. Carl Edward Dintaman, born March 16, 1932.

Fifth Generation

Martha Seidner was married February 1, 1912 to Alva J. Roth, born August 25, 1890 in Fulton County, Ohio, son of Joseph and Mary (Merrilot) Roth.

Farmer. Fayette, Ohio.

Children:

1. Kenneth Roth, born June 20, 1913.
2. Eldon Roth, born June 25, 1915.

Fifth Generation

Matilda Seidner was married to Christian Spangler. They lived on a farm near Wauseon, Ohio.

A daughter was born:

1. Gladys Mary Spangler.

Fifth Generation

Arthur Eldon Seidner was married May 11, 1927 to Opal Miller, born February 1, 1907, daughter of Bert and Clara (Miller) Miller. They live near Wauseon, Ohio, and are members of the Mennonite Church.

Children, born near Pettisville, Ohio:

1. Viola Carrie Seidner, born April 7, 1928.
2. Donald Roy Seidner, born March 15, 1930.
3. Benjamin Isaiah Seidner, born November 14, 1932.
4. Henry Arthur Seidner, born May 30, 1935.

Fourth Generation

Mary Seidner was married February 9, 1889 to Thomas Fletcher Toliver, born May 11, 1862 at Gainsville, Texas, son of John H. and Samantha (Batesel) Toliver. After marriage they lived one year in Jasper County, Missouri; then the pioneering nature which never let him be content to stay more than a year or so in one locality, began to assert itself. They moved to the Cherokee nation in Indian Territory and

the next year returned to Missouri. A few years later they moved to Oklahoma Territory in the Sac and Fox country, where they homesteaded. The Indians were still wearing blankets. Later they returned to Missouri, then moved to the Creek nation in Indian Territory, where they finally settled on a farm near Morris, Oklahoma, which Mary Seidner Toliver purchased. Thomas Fletcher Toliver was a true pioneer. After moving to a new locality he improved a farm, put out fruit, dug wells, built schools (which was sometimes a huge task among Indians, half-breeds, and out-laws), opened roads and built bridges, started mail routes, organized Sunday schools and singing schools, etc. About the time he had the neighborhood elevated to some degree of civilization his pioneering spirit caused him to load up his wife, children, and everything, and seek new wilds to conquer. Finally the great task of financing a public servant, bearing nine children, rearing eight and trying to educate them first in one wilderness and then in another, was too much for the strong spirited ever hopeful ninety pound Mary, who died of utter exhaustion at the age of fifty-six years.

At the time of her death the children were all married excepting the two younger sons, who made their home with Priscilla Newton, their elder sister. Thomas Fletcher Toliver continued seeking new frontiers, alone, in various parts of Oklahoma, Arkansas, Texas, Colorado, New Mexico, and Arizona. Although now seventy-five years of age, he still goes to other states, gets work, and dreams of feats to perform. He makes his home with his son, Waldo F. Toliver, in Muskogee, Oklahoma. Mary Seidner Toliver was a member of the Mennonite Church.

Children:

1. Francis LeRoy Toliver, born January 27, 1890.
2. Waldo Franklin Toliver, born May 28, 1891.
3. Priscilla Toliver, born January 8, 1893.
4. John Otis Toliver, born July 16, 1895.
5. Frank Seidner Toliver, born January 5, 1897.
6. Elsie Toliver, born March 2, 1899; died March 19, 1899.
7. Ida Alice Toliver, born February 6, 1900.
8. Earl Fletcher Toliver, born February 4, 1902.
9. Ernest Benjamin Toliver, born July 13, 1905.

Fifth Generation

Francis L. Toliver was married August 11, 1911 to Hattie Lowe, born August 23, 1891 at Tarkio, Missouri, daughter of John and Viola (Snook) Lowe. He is a merchant, a member of the Toliver-Kinney Mercantile Company of Fort Collins, Colorado, a firm which deals in hardware, seed, coal, grain, hay, gasoline, oils, and farming equipment. He belongs to the First Baptist Church of Fort Collins.

Hattie Lowe Toliver died June 17, 1924.

Born to Francis L. and Hattie Lowe Toliver:

1. John M. Toliver, born November 9, 1912.
2. Raymond F. Toliver, born November 16, 1914.
3. Mary Louise Toliver, born August 12, 1916.
4. Mable Frances Toliver, born January 27, 1918.

Francis L. Toliver was married September 15, 1926 to Morna Beebe, born January 15, 1897 at Loveland, Colorado, daughter of Alfred and Velma Vanderberg (Benson) Beebe.

Born to this union:

1. Ruth Josephine Toliver, born January 21, 1928.
2. Elizabeth Jane Toliver, born April 11, 1929.
3. Morna Winifred Toliver, born November 13, 1930.
4. Thomas L. Toliver, born January 6, 1932.

Fifth Generation

Waldo Franklin Toliver was married December 12, 1912 at Hitchita, Oklahoma to Isobenda Berryhill, a Creek Indian, daughter of Poke and Cora Berryhill. Poke Berryhill was a Texas cattleman who came to Indian Territory in an early day and married into the Creek Indian tribe. Waldo F. Toliver has been owner and manager of the Chevrolet Sales Agency for the past eight years, and is also a dealer in Conoco Products. They live at 324 North 11th Street, Muskogee, Oklahoma.

They have one son and one daughter:

1. Feeron Toliver, born June 8, 1914.
2. Fern Susannah Toliver, born November 22, 1916.

Feeron Toliver is a student at the Oklahoma State Normal College at Talahquah, Oklahoma.

Fifth Generation

Priscilla Toliver was married April 13, 1918 to Walter

Theodore Newton, born March 15, 1876, son of John and Rebecca Elizabeth (Hyde) Newton. *

Walter Theodore Newton moved to Oklahoma from Missouri, and established the N— (N Bar) Ranch near Morris, Oklahoma. He is active in local politics and community improvements, in building and maintaining schools, and is a Mason and Odd Fellow. Walter T. and Priscilla (Toliver) Newton live in Morris, Oklahoma, and are members of the Baptist Church.

They have one son:

1. Tyre Alexander Newton, born December 27, 1921.

Tyre at the age of sixteen is a senior in high school, and is a talented musician and public speaker. He has a rich heritage from all near relatives, who are without exception people of superior character, and nearly all active church and civic workers.

Fifth Generation

John O. Toliver was married May 30, 1920 to Orril U. Benell, daughter of Scott M. and Mary (Bartles) Benell. They live at 405 Matthews Street, Fort Collins, Colorado, and are members of the Methodist Church. John O. Toliver is a Professor in the Animal Husbandry Department of Colorado State College, and had been Deputy State Dairy Commissioner during the four years prior to teaching in the college. He received the Bachelor of Science degree from Colorado State Agricultural College, and the Master of Science degree from the A. and M. College of Texas.

They have one daughter and one son:

1. Mary Orril Toliver, born March 12, 1921.
2. John Owen Toliver, born January 14, 1923.

Fifth Generation

Frank Seidner Toliver was married December 5, 1926 to Beulah Wellshear, born January 2, 1898 at Cassville, Missouri, daughter of a Kinta, Oklahoma druggist Charles Carter and Beulah (Reynolds) Wellshear. She had been a stenographer at the college from which he graduated. Frank Seidner Toliver worked in the Forest Service during summer vacations while a high school student. On July 31, 1918 he enlisted in the U. S. Navy, and was discharged

* The Newton family has been prominent in Missouri in county and state politics, one brother of Walter T. Newton having served as assistant U. S. District Attorney, member of state legislature, and eight years U. S. Congressman from Missouri.

January 28, 1919. He graduated from the Colorado State Agricultural College at Fort Collins in 1929 with the Bachelor of Science degree, and entered the service of the U. S. Gypsum Company at Fort Dodge, Iowa, August 1, 1929 as research engineer. He remained in this service until September 15, 1931 when the management of the company insisted on a drastic reduction of personnel. As a research engineer he was actively engaged in the development of a new acoustical tile product which was successfully launched. Since September 15, 1931 he has been employed as salesman by the Lincoln Star Publishing Company of Lincoln, Nebraska. He is a member of the Methodist Church, and lives in Lincoln, Nebraska.

One daughter was born:

1. Mary Kathryn Toliver, born April 19, 1931 at Fort Dodge, Iowa.

Fifth Generation

Ida Alice Toliver was married March 14, 1916 at Okmulgee, Oklahoma to Clifford E. Dowd, born March 30, 1884 at Fort Madison, Iowa, son of Albert M. and Mary E. Dowd. He was an oil field supply dealer, but is now retired. While in the business they were located at various times in Okmulgee, Tulsa, and Bartlesville, Oklahoma; in Rawlins, Wyoming; Denver, Colorado; and in Houston, Texas. They made many personal lasting friendships with prominent members of the oil fraternity, including Gov. Alf M. Landon, the Republican nominee for President in 1936. They are members of the Methodist Church, and live at Fort Collins, Colorado.

Fifth Generation

Earl Fletcher Toliver was for six years in the United States Army in North Carolina. He has been a stocks and bond salesman in Denver, Colorado, later general manager of Chevrolet Auto Sales in Wagoner, Oklahoma, and is now automobile salesman in Tahlequah, Oklahoma. His address is Wagoner, Oklahoma. He is unmarried.

Fifth Generation

Ernest Benjamin Toliver was married September 8, 1927 at Ackerman, Mississippi, to Martha Lucile Ragland, daughter of Mrs. Ragland Wise of that town. Martha Lucile Ragland was born January 4, 1907, near Ackerman, Mississippi, and is of Scotch-Irish descent. She and her

people are all college graduates. She and Ernest Benjamin Toliver went through high school together at Checotah, Oklahoma, where she lived with her aunt, and each went to college at different places. He was later a traveling salesman for the R. J. Reynolds Tobacco Company in Mississippi. Their present address is 601 South Shields Street, Fort Collins, Colorado, and he is Credit Manager for the Firestone Auto Supply & Service Store at Fort Collins. They are affiliated with the M. E. Church, South.

Children:

1. Mary Elizabeth Toliver, born September 7, 1928.
2. Patricia Jean Toliver, born May 16, 1930.
3. Eleanor Ann Toliver, born August 23, 1932.

Fourth Generation

Francis Seidner was married November 6, 1887 to Amanda Buerge, born June 22, 1867, daughter of Daniel and Lydia (Schrock) Buerge. They lived eight miles northeast of Carthage, Missouri. He was fatally injured by one of a team of horses he was watering.

Children:

1. Alma Mable Seidner, born January 2, 1889.
2. Francis Royden Seidner, born October 3, 1890.

Fifth Generation

Alma Mable Seidner is an instructor in the Southwest Missouri State Teachers College at Springfield, and had previously been principal of the high school at Jasper, Missouri. She received the degree of Bachelor of Science in Education with a major in Mathematics from the Southwest Missouri State Teachers College, and the Master of Arts degree from the University of Missouri. She is a member of Pi Mu Epsilon, Kappa Mu Epsilon, and the American Association of University Women.

Fifth Generation

Francis Royden Seidner was married August 6, 1913 to Edna Cochran. They own and operate an eighty acre farm eight miles northeast of Carthage, Missouri.

To them was born:

1. Elsie Mae Seidner, born December 22, 1922.

Fourth Generation

Sarah Seidner was married June 2, 1896 to Joseph J. Zaerr, born May 15, 1870 in Fulton County, near Archbold, Ohio, son of Frank Anthony and Mary (Miller) Zaerr. They

lived on a farm in Jasper County, Missouri. She is a member of the Mennonite Church.

Children :

1. Frank Anthony Zaerr, born April 26, 1897.
2. Mary Susan Zaerr, born January 15, 1899.
3. Jesse Joseph Zaerr, born February 20, 1901.
4. Albert Irvin Zaerr, born August 18, 1902, died March 18, 1903.
5. John Lafayette Zaerr, born March 27, 1904.
6. Dora Edna Zaerr, born October 8, 1914. She has attended a Bible School in Los Angeles, where she lives.

Fifth Generation

Frank Anthony Zaerr was married December 19, 1917 to Gladys Bertha Elliott, born in Alba, Missouri, daughter of John and Mary (Clark) Elliot. They live in Joplin, Missouri, where he had been a carpenter and contractor.

Children :

1. Wilma Jean Zaerr, born August 11, 1924; died August 20, 1924.
2. Arlene Ray Zaerr, born February 11, 1928.

Fifth Generation

Mary Susan Zaerr was married May 13, 1935 to Thomas Marvin St. Clair of Beverly Hills, California, where they at present reside. He was born March 4, 1906 in Detroit, Michigan, son of John and Mary Ellen (Delahanty) St. Clair. She had formerly been employed in Buffalo, New York. They are members of the Assembly of God.

Fifth Generation

Jesse Joseph Zaerr was married December 24, 1922 to Vera Darlene Olsen, born in Corning, Iowa, daughter of Christian and Lola Mary (Rave) Olsen. They live on a farm five miles southwest of Jasper, Missouri.

Children :

1. Celia Darlene Zaerr, born January 23, 1924.
2. Jesse Junior Zaerr, born September 23, 1925.
3. Melvin Eugene Zaerr, born June 24, 1927; died in infancy.
4. Kenneth Carl Zaerr, born September 29, 1931.

Fifth Generation

John L. Zaerr was married May 12, 1926 to Eleanor May Jones, daughter of Benjamin and Ella (Gray) Jones. He is employed on a California orange ranch. They live at

802 E. Bonita Ave., Azusa, California, and are members of the Assembly of God.

Children:

1. Marjorie Ellen Zaerr, born February 15, 1930.
2. Joseph Benjamin Zaerr, born September, 1932.

Fourth Generation

Priscilla Seidner was married to Benjamin Gearig. They died only a few days apart, and were buried the same day.

Fourth Generation

Henry Seidner was married July 4, 1898 to Sarah Dollie Bruffett, daughter of Jacob and Susan (Wright) Bruffett. He is a carpenter. They are members of the Assembly of God, and live in Carthage, Missouri.

Children:

1. Everett Benjamin Seidner, born January 9, 1901; died March 8, 1904. Aged 3 years, 1 month, 29 days.
2. Grace Almata Seidner, born December 24, 1902.
3. Ethel Mae Seidner, born January 8, 1909.
4. Priscilla Faye Seidner, born February 11, 1917.
5. Henry Paul Seidner, Jr., born December 16, 1918.

Fifth Generation

Grace Almata Seidner was married July 11, 1934 to Cecil Alvin Brown, son of James H. and Maude Ann (Beaver) Brown. They are evangelists in the Assembly of God, and live in Carthage, Missouri.

Fifth Generation

Ethel Mae Seidner was married June 11, 1926 to Stanley P. McPherson, son of Roderick and Christina (McDonald) McPherson. They live in Carthage, Missouri and are also evangelists in the Assembly of God.

They have a daughter:

1. Ruth Marian McPherson, born April 18, 1928.

Third Generation

Christian Holdeman, the second son of Amos and Nancy (Yoder) Holdeman, was married June 10, 1862 to Susanna Martin, born January 1, 1838, daughter of John and Elizabeth () Martin. She died December 30, 1914 at the age of 76 years, 11 months, 29 days.

Christian Holdeman was a minister of the Gospel in the Church of the Brethren, and preached continuously from the time of his ordination at the age of twenty-one until his health failed at about the age of seventy, a period of

nearly fifty years. While living in Ohio he preached in the Mohican church, located one mile north of Lattasburg. On February 23, 1867 he purchased from Henry Gable and wife the old Grandfather Christian Holdeman farm, which he owned until November 8, 1880. On November 17, 1880 he left Ohio and, accompanied by members of his family, moved to Jasper County, Missouri. In Missouri he was pastor of the Spring River Brethren Church, located on the corner of his farm, for at least twenty-five years, and also had regular appointments in Lawrence County, Missouri. He was an elder in a considerable number of churches, traveled extensively, and conducted revivals. He has been described as "a faithful minister" and "an earnest worker". About four years before his death he was stricken with paralysis, from which he never fully recovered. He died within the bounds of the Dry Fork congregation, Jasper County, Missouri, March 10, 1912, at the age of 72 years, 1 month, and 27 days.

The children of Christian and Susanna (Martin) Holdeman were:

1. Laura Holdeman, born March 16, 1863; died February 17, 1933. Aged 69 years, 11 months, 1 day.
2. Franklin Holdeman, born October 19, 1864; died December 24, 1894. Aged 30 years, 2 months, 5 days.
3. Amanda Holdeman, born October 11, 1866; died November 5, 1929. Aged 63 years, 24 days.
4. Sarah Holdeman, born November 21, 1868; died February 24, 1878. Aged 9 years, 3 months, 3 days. She is buried in the Mohican cemetery, Wayne County, Ohio.
5. Ida Holdeman, born April 15, 1871; died February 9, 1909. Aged 37 years, 9 months, 24 days.
6. William Holdeman, born February 19, 1874.
7. Edward M. Holdeman, born September 18, 1878; died May 7, 1931. Aged 52 years, 7 months, 19 days.
8. Clara Holdeman, born February 28, 1881.

The above were all born in Wayne County, Ohio, excepting Clara who was born in Jasper County, Missouri.

Fourth Generation

Laura Holdeman was married February 15, 1883 to George N. Harvey, son of William and Hannah (Wine) Harvey. He was born January 30, 1860, and died December 30, 1888; aged 28 years, 11 months. He was a farmer

and member of the Brethren Church. They lived on a farm near Carthage, Missouri.

Children:

1. William Christian Harvey, born March 19, 1884.
2. George Raymond Harvey, born April 5, 1886; died March 25, 1887.
3. Myrtle S. Harvey, born March 15, 1888.

Laura Holdeman was married the second time March 28, 1892 to Henry Neff. He was born December 22, 1846 and died February 3, 1896; aged 49 years, 1 month, 11 days. He was a farmer and member of the Brethren Church.

One son was born:

1. Emmet Homer Neff, born February 10, 1893; died July 15, 1916.

He was a farmer, unmarried, and a member of the United Brethren Church.

Laura Holdeman was married the third time July 28, 1897 to J. Everett Ledford, born August 29, 1874, son of Daniel and Emma (Bell) Ledford. He was a farmer.

Children:

1. Florence E. Ledford, born January 10, 1898.
2. Nelle A. Ledford, born July 28, 1900.
3. Clara Carmel Ledford, born April 1, 1903.
4. Lauren E. Ledford, born May 24, 1907.

At the time of her second marriage, March 28, 1892, Laura Holdeman moved from near Carthage, Missouri to a farm near McCune, Kansas, where she lived during the remainder of her life. She was affiliated with the Methodist Church. All of her four daughters were school teachers.

Fifth Generation

William Christian Harvey was married September 28, 1903 to Grace Hinman, daughter of James and Isabel (Gunter) Hinman. She was born April 28, 1886, and died October 16, 1927. They were members of the Methodist Church.

William C. Harvey was a miner and farmer. While a miner he lived in West Mineral, Kansas, to which town he moved in 1903, and served several years as mayor. In 1924 he moved to a farm near McCune, Kansas where he now resides.

Children:

1. Mildred Leona Harvey, born August 18, 1904.

2. Maxine Lucille Harvey, born December 5, 1913.
3. Marvin Lockard Harvey, born July 15, 1920.
4. Marian Leah Harvey, born August 7, 1922.

William Christian Harvey was married the second time August 2, 1933 to Alice Harkness Maxwell, daughter of Dexter and Jane (Manock) Harkness. She was born July 8, 1888.

Sixth Generation

Mildred Leona Harvey was married August 24, 1921 to Howard Franklin Spriggs, born April 13, 1901, son of John and Luvera (Frye) Spriggs.

Mechanic. McCune, Kansas. Methodist.

To them was born:

1. Nondis Eileen Spriggs, born December 18, 1922.

Sixth Generation

Maxine Lucille Harvey was married December 18, 1932 to Homer A. Barnes, born September 28, 1909, son of Uriah and Betty (Gillespi) Barnes.

Farmer. McCune, Kansas. Baptist.

To them was born:

1. Lorna Jo. Barnes, born June 21, 1934.

Fifth Generation

Myrtle S. Harvey is a teacher in the City Junior High School, Columbus, Kansas, and is a member of the Methodist Church.

Fifth Generation

Florence E. Ledford was married August 20, 1919 to Carroll C. Snyder, born April 20, 1896, son of Phares and Pocohontas (Roberts) Snyder. They live on a farm near McCune, Kansas and are affiliated with the Methodist Church. She had been a school-teacher before her marriage.

Children:

1. Harlan Lorraine Snyder, born March 7, 1921.
2. Lyman Elwin Snyder, born February 8, 1925; died February 15, 1925.

Fifth Generation

Nelle A. Ledford was married August 2, 1922 to George L. Lauer, born December 2, 1893, son of Isaac and Delilah (Allen) Lauer. She was before her marriage a school-teacher, is a Methodist, and they live on a farm near McCune, Kansas. There are no children.



Laura Holdeman.

Fifth Generation

Carmel Ledford is Secretary to the Principal of the Senior High School, Columbus, Kansas, and had previously been a teacher for a number of years. Methodist.

Fifth Generation

Lauren E. Ledford was married August 10, 1929 to Gertrude L. Lovell, born February 4, 1909, daughter of William and Flora (Frye) Lovell. Farmer. McCune, Kansas.

Children:

1. Gary Harvey Ledford, born March 18, 1931.
2. Mary Rose Ledford, born October 1, 1933.
3. Lauren Martin Ledford, born December 7, 1935.

Fourth Generation

Franklin Holdeman was married December 27, 1888 to Rhoda Elvira Seela, born July 9, 1867, daughter of John N. U. Seela (born July 14, 1829, and died July 31, 1926) and Patsy Whitehead (born September 13, and died July 2, 1908). He was a farmer near Carthage, Missouri, and a member of the Church of the Brethren.

Children:

1. Clarence Martin Holdeman, born September 26, 1889.
2. Clara Ellen Holdeman, born August 9, 1891.
3. Susan Fern Holdeman, born June 25, 1894.

Fifth Generation

Clarence Martin Holdeman was married October 5, 1910 to Harriet Tilton, born March 24, 1892, daughter of Josiah and Sarah Elizabeth (Taylor) Tilton. He is employed by the Carthage Ice Company, and they are members of the Christian Church. Their address is Carthage, Missouri, R. 2.

Children:

1. Leota Patsy Holdeman, born November 30, 1913.
2. Emerald Holdeman, born May 14, 1919.
3. Sarah Nadine Holdeman, born August 4, 1925.
4. Clarence Franklin Holdeman, born August 9, 1931.

Fifth Generation

Clara Ellen Holdeman was married July 10, 1924 to Thomas Tilton, born November 3, 1884, son of Josiah and Sarah Elizabeth (Taylor) Tilton.

Farmer. Carthage, Missouri, R. 6. Christian Church.

To them was born:

1. Ellen Maxine Tilton, born August 9, 1931.

Fifth Generation

Susan Fern Holdeman was married October 30, 1916 to Guy Harris, born July 12, 1894, son of Lee and Ollie Mabel (Upp) Harris. He is employed by the Carthage Ice Company. They live at 506 East Central, Carthage, Missouri, and are affiliated with the Christian Church.

To them was born:

1. Fern Christine Harris, born September 24, 1918.

Fourth Generation

Amanda Holdeman was married to Jasper Francis Hodkin, born January 11, 1866 in Humboldt, Nebraska, son of Thomas and Elizabeth (Baldwin) Hodkin.* They lived at Carthage Missouri. He died July 21, 1931, aged 65 years, 6 months, 10 days. He was a stone mason and contractor, and a member of the Catholic Church.

Children:

1. John Edward Hodkin, born March 17, 1890.
2. D. Christian Hodkin, born August 25, 1892.
3. Jasper Jason Hodkin, born November 27, 1894.
4. Laura Janet Hodkin, born June 3, 1896; died in 1899.
5. William Morgan Hodkin, born June 16, 1898.
6. Josephine Fern Hodkin, born October 26, 1899.
7. Irwin Murry Hodkin, born March 16, 1901.
8. Howard Leon Hodkin, born October 27, 1902.
9. Hilda Helen Hodkin, born September 2, 1906.
10. Charles Thomas Hodkin, born February 6, 1910, died February 10, 1910. (The year 1908 was also given.)

Fifth Generation

John Edward Hodkin was married February 26, 1912 to Lottie Moss. He is a stone mason and contractor. They live at Little Rock, Arkansas, and are members of the Methodist Church.

Children:

1. Juanita Hodkin, born December 21, 1912.
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Sixth Generation

Juanita Hodkin was married June 14, 1928 to Harry S.

* Thomas Hodkin was born September 15, 1826 in England, and died March 9, 1876 at Humboldt, Nebraska; Elizabeth Baldwin Hodkin was born March 2, 1842 in England, and died at Carthage, Missouri.

Faskin, son of Harry and Harriet (Kelly) Faskin. He was born September 28, 1910, and is a mechanic. Their address is 621 E. 5th Street, Carthage, Missouri.

Fifth Generation

D. Christian Hodkin was married June 14, 1914 to Leafy R. McEwen, born May 11, 1894, daughter of William and Mollie E. (Martin) McEwen. He is a brick mason, and they live at 519 W. Mound Street, Carthage, Missouri. They are affiliated with the Christian Church.

Children:

1. Dorothy M. Hodkin, born June 29, 1915.
2. Denzel W. Hodkin, born July 28, 1917.
3. Marjorie Ruth Hodkin, born September 20, 1922.

Fifth Generation

Jasper Jason Hodkin was married March 8, 1913 to Itress M. Kelch, born August 27, 1898, daughter of Perry and Alice (Stanley) Kelch. He is a brick mason, and their address is Carthage, Missouri, R. R. 3.

Children:

1. Harry Eugene Hodkin, born March 17, 1916.
2. Kenneth Earl Hodkin, born August 3, 1918; died May 9, 1929. Aged 10 years, 9 months, 6 days.
3. Irwin Leon Hodkin, born October 21, 1920.
4. Donald E. Hodkin, born February 20, 1923.

Itress M. (Kelch) Hodkin died January 12, 1929.

On April 6, 1931 Jasper Jason Hodkin married Mrs. Effie Ellen (Robison) Craven, daughter of Cornelius and Martha Ann (Murrell) Robison. She was born October 15, 1889.

One son was born:

1. Clarence Loyd Hodkin, born April 25, 1932.

Fifth Generation

William Morgan Hodkin was married April 8, 1917 to Grace Marie Toland, daughter of John and Adeline Toland. He is a master welder. They live at N. Little Rock, Arkansas, R. R. 3, and are members of the Baptist Church. William Morgan Hodkin enlisted in the United States Army May 15, 1915, and served in the Mexico Punitive Force and in the World War. He received an honorable discharge January 17, 1919.

Children :

1. Kowana Marie Hodkin, born February 23, 1918, at Carthage, Missouri.
2. Morgan Leroy Hodkin, born October 13, 1920 at Carthage, Missouri.
3. Mildred Louise Hodkin, born March 2, 1923 at Carthage, Missouri.
4. Mary Inez Hodkin, born December 20, 1925 at Dallas, Texas.
5. Jo Ann Hodkin, born September 28, 1931 at Dallas, Texas.
6. William Robert Hodkin, born October 23, 1933 at N. Little Rock, Arkansas; died October 23, 1933.
7. John Patrick Hodkin, born December 7, 1936 at N. Little Rock, Arkansas.

Fifth Generation

Josephine Fern Hodkin was married February 14, 1916 to Charles Henry Newbauer, son of Otto and Elizabeth Newbauer. He is foreman in a shoe factory. They live at 405 E. Locust St., Sweet Springs, Missouri, and are members of the Catholic Church.

They have two sons :

1. Robert Carl Newbauer, born January 3, 1917
2. Charles Joseph Newbauer, born June 11, 1921.

Fifth Generation

Irwin M. Hodkin was married May 25, 1935 to Georgia Alta Hix, born January 15, 1911 at Climax Springs, Missouri, daughter of Oscar and Minerva (Green) Hix.

Stone cutter. 611 East 7th Street, Carthage, Missouri.

Fifth Generation

Leon H. Hodkin was married April 27, 1924 to Mrs. Zeda Myrtle (Campbell) Hensley, daughter of John and Sarah Campbell. She was born June 28, 1897.

Carpenter. Carthage, Missouri, R. R. 2.

Children :

1. Betty Lee Hodkin, born April 11, 1926.
2. Wanda May Hodkin, born April 28, 1928.
3. Mary Frances Hodkin, born May 19, 1931.

Fifth Generation

Helen H. Hodkin was married May 5, 1923 to Floyd R. Smith, born December 10, 1901, son of Volney E. and Nellie (Williams) Smith. He is an employee of the Spring Bed

Company. Their address is Fall Street, Carthage, Missouri.

They have one son:

1. Raymond Carrol Hodkin, born March 7, 1924.

Fourth Generation

Ida Holdeman was married February 11, 1895 to Joseph McFadden, born June 19, 1871, and died April 14, 1910; aged 38 years, 9 months, 25 days. He owned and operated a farm one mile north of Avilla, Missouri. They were members of the Church of the Brethren.

Children:

1. Minnie McFadden, born December 21, 1895; died July 6, 1908. Aged 12 years, 6 months, 15 days.
2. Allen Harvey McFadden, born January 9, 1898.

Fifth Generation

Allen Harvey McFadden was married November 26, 1919 to Helen C. Meador, born July 30, 1900, daughter of George R. and Effie M. (Parmer) Meador. She is a member of the Baptist Church. They live at 701 Olive Street, Carthage, Missouri, and he is an employee of the Farmer's Exchange.

Children:

1. Virginia Ilene McFadden, born January 28, 1921.
2. Joseph Harvey McFadden, born June 26, 1922.
3. Georgia Maxine McFadden, born November 4, 1925.
4. Peggy Jane McFadden, born July 1, 1927.

Fourth Generation

William Holdeman owned and operated a small farm near Jasper, Missouri. In 1923 he moved to California where he is managing an orange grove. He was for some time an owner of an orange grove. He was married to Eva Melugin; twins were born to them, but died at birth. He is a member of the Church of the Brethren.

Fourth Generation

Edward M. Holdeman was married March 24, 1901 to Anna Adeline Keller, daughter of Sylvanus and Martha Mildred (Bastin) Keller. She was born November 16, 1882 in Jasper County, Missouri, and lives near Carthage, Missouri, R. 6. He was fatally injured in an accident with a team of mules, which ran away hitched to a wagon. Before his death they lived on a farm near Reeds, Jasper County, Missouri. Their religious affiliation was with the Christian Church.

Children:

1. Edna Luella Holdeman, born January 1, 1904.
2. Carl Edward Holdeman, born September 23, 1906.
3. Minnie Anna Holdeman, born July 29, 1909.
4. Bertha Mae Holdeman, born May 23, 1912.

Fifth Generation

Edna Luella Holdeman was married October 6, 1929 to Carey Adams Seela, born June 6, 1906, son of Isaac Newton and Zelda May (Ridgell) Seela. She was before marriage a bookkeeper at the Bank of Carthage, from September 15, 1922, to June 30, 1929. They live on a farm, Carthage, Missouri, R. 6, and are affiliated with the Christian Church.

Fifth Generation

Carl Edward Holdeman was married October 6, 1927 to Goldean Aniece Turner, born September 1, 1909, daughter of Joseph Charles and Fannie (Clark) Turner. He is Manager of the Parts Department of R. & S. Motor Sales Company, Joplin, Missouri. They live at 919 Chestnut Street, Joplin, Missouri, and are members of the Center Point Christian Church.

A son was born:

1. William Charles Holdeman, born May 30, 1933.

Fifth Generation

Minnie Anna Holdeman was married November 10, 1929 to Ollie Esco Ziler, born April 10, 1905 in Jasper County, Missouri, son of Willie Forest and Ola Frances (McNabb) Ziler. They are members of the Center Point Christian Church, where she is pianist and teacher, and Mr. Ziler is a deacon.

Farmer. Carthage, Missouri, R. 6.

Fifth Generation

Bertha Mae Holdeman was married September 17, 1932 to Richard Wesley Dyer, born May 19, 1911 in Jasper County, Missouri, son of Richard Chasee and Daphne Mahale (Pryor) Dyer.

Operator of Service Station. Carthage, Missouri, R. 6. Center Point Christian Church.

Fourth Generation

Clara Holdeman was married August 27, 1899 to Harry Bishop, born January 23, 1874, son of Charles Sylvester and Rebecca Steelman (Sheldon) Bishop. He had been an

owner and operator of grocery stores at different places. They live at Carthage, Missouri, where she is a member of the Presbyterian Church.

One child was born to them:

1. Evelyn Wenona Bishop, born September 27, 1910.

Fifth Generation

Evelyn Wenona Bishop was married February 7, 1929 to James Wilder Newton, born October 24, 1905, son of Ferry Dwight and Maye K. (McGoffin) Newton. He is a mechanical and architectural draftsman. They are members of the Presbyterian Church, and their present address is 1006 Watauga Ave., Kingsport, Tennessee.

They have a son:

1. Edwin Wilder Newton, born March 30, 1936.

Third Generation

Alpheus Holdeman was married April 28, 1864 to Martha Haynes, daughter of David and Charlotte (.....) Haynes. She was born January 14, 1846, and died July 21, 1877; aged 31 years, 6 months, 7 days. She was buried in the Eight Square Cemetery in Wayne County, Ohio.

Children, born near Wooster, Ohio:

1. Alice Holdeman, born September 19, 1866.
2. Emma Holdeman, born August 15, 1868; died August 15, 1898 in Jasper County, Mo. Aged 30 years.
3. Aaron Holdeman, born June 3, 1870; died May 22, 1928 in East St. Louis, Illinois. Aged 57 years, 11 months, 19 days.
4. Mary Holdeman, born February 8, 1872; died November 1903 in Colorado. Aged 31 years, 9 months.
5. Clara Holdeman, born September 21, 1873.
6. Annettie Holdeman, born August 29, 1875.

Alpheus Holdeman was married the second time June 10, 1879 to Elizabeth Buerge, born October 26, 1856 in Ontario, Canada, oldest daughter of Jacob and Barbara (Kurtz) Buerge. At the time of this second marriage he was living on the eighty acre farm, purchased March 27, 1872, comprising the west half of the southwest quarter of section twenty-four in Chester Township, Wayne County, Ohio. On March 22, 1879 this eighty acre tract of land was sold and deeded to John Raudebaugh, and on March 26, 1880 he bought from Daniel Hiner 110 acres of land, it being the east

part of the southwest quarter of section five in Chester Township. They sold this farm on October 2, 1883 to Peter Imhoff, and in the same month and year moved to Jasper County, Missouri, where they bought a farm eight miles east of Carthage, Missouri, on what is now Highway 66. They lived on this farm until 1894, when they sold it, removing later to a farm near Webb City, Missouri.

While living in Ohio Alpheus Holdeman was the owner of an old Oil Mill, which was built by Henry B. Myers in 1839 or 1840, and was located just north of the Eight Square Mennonite Church. This Oil Mill, run by water power, had a number of owners, the last one being Alpheus Holdeman, who purchased it along with thirteen and one-fourth acres for \$1,350.00. He owned the Oil Mill and land until the manufacture of flax seed oil was discontinued and the old mill was abandoned. The land was then sold to William Hagerman.¹

As a man Alpheus Holdeman was very kind and thoughtful of others; he was very generous, always helping those in need. He always looked on the bright side of everything; he was honest in every respect, and his word was as good as gold. For many years he was a member of the Mennonite Church, and never departed from its teachings although later uniting with another church.

Children:

1. Malinda Holdeman, born November 4, 1880 near Wooster, Ohio.
2. Martha Holdeman, born August 19, 1882 near Wooster, Ohio.
3. Harvey Holdeman, born February 13, 1885 near Carthage, Missouri.
4. Ella Holdeman, born December 19, 1887 near Carthage, Missouri.
5. Cora Holdeman, born January 2, 1890; died April 26, 1891.
6. William Clayton Holdeman, born June 7, 1892 near Carthage, Missouri.
7. Charles Franklin Holdeman, born June 2, 1898; died March 29, 1899.

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Fourth Generation

Alice Holdeman was married September 12, 1886 to Jacob Fisher, born August 31, 1865 near Acton, Indiana, son of Toliver and Mary (Miller) Fisher. He died August 22, 1930, aged 64 years, 11 months, 21 days. He was in the garage business and at the time of his death they were living in Pierceville, Indiana. They were members of the Methodist Church. Alice Holdeman lives with her children, but receives her mail at Greenwood, Indiana.

Children:

1. Iva Myrtle Fisher, born July 15, 1887 near Avilla, Missouri.
2. Charles Edgar Fisher, born June 14, 1889 near Avilla, Missouri.
3. Clarence Clifford Fisher, born September 18, 1891 near Carthage, Missouri.
4. Orville Alpheus Fisher, born March 5, 1894 near Acton, Indiana; died March 26, 1917. Aged 23 years, 21 days.
5. Elmer Lewis Fisher, born March 3, 1896 near Acton, Indiana; died October 10, 1903. Aged 7 years, 5 months, 7 days.
6. Everett William Fisher, born May 20, 1898 near Acton, Indiana.
7. Walter Virgil Fisher, born June 10, 1900 near Acton, Indiana.
8. Mabel Irene Fisher, born January 30, 1903 near Acton, Indiana.
9. Ernest Leo Fisher, born February 9, 1905 near Acton, Indiana.
10. Edna Marie Fisher, born September 30, 1906 near Milan, Indiana.
11. Bessie Mae Fisher, born January 2, 1910 near Milan, Indiana.

Fifth Generation

Iva Myrtle Fisher was married April 15, 1904 to Ira B. Daugherty, born April 16, 1885 near Greenwood, Indiana, son of William E. and Alice (McClain) Daugherty.

Farmer. Greenwood, Indiana, R. R. 1. Methodist.

Children:

1. Earl William Daugherty, born August 3, 1905; died August 6, 1905.

2. Charles Edward Daugherty, born August 8, 1906; died September 29, 1921. Aged 15 years, 1 month, 21 days.
3. Opal Alice Daugherty, born April 8, 1908.
4. Nina Pearl Daugherty, born March 30, 1910.
5. Carl Melvin Daugherty, born March 15, 1912.
6. Orin Edgar Daugherty, born March 10, 1923.
7. Harold Leroy Daugherty, born March 26, 1925.
8. Gerald Edwin Daugherty, born January 2, 1928; (date of death not given).

Sixth Generation

Opal Alice Daugherty was married June 19, 1929 to John Raymond Rouse, born June 20, 1906 at Fairland, Indiana, son of John and Dottie (Jonas) Rouse.

Farmer. Greenwood, Indiana. Christian Church.

One child was born:

1. Kenneth Ralph Rouse, born November 11, 1931.

Sixth Generation

Nina Pearl Daugherty was married July 9, 1932 to Geoffrey Marshall Scarth, born February 29, 1904 in Leeds, England, son of Alfred and Catharine (Marshall) Scarth. He is a cattle showman.

One child was born:

1. Alfred Marshall Scarth, born June 23, 1935.

Fifth Generation

Charles Edgar Fisher was married August 22, 1911 to Stella M. Possman, born at Needham, Indiana, daughter of John and Minerva (Moore) Possman.

Mechanic. Fairland, Indiana. Adventist.

Children:

1. Anna Mae Fisher, born November 13, 1912.
2. Margaret Ellen Fisher, born December 6, 1914.
3. John Jacob Fisher, born May 4, 1917; died May 4, 1917.

Sixth Generation

Anna Mae Fisher was married June 12, 1935 to Rollin Huber of Fairland, Indiana, son of William Huber.

Farmer Shelbyville, Indiana.

One child was born:

1. Charles William Huber, born April 15, 1936.

Fifth Generation

Clarence Clifford Fisher was married March 9, 1912 to

Edna Pearl Wells, born September 10, 1896 at Fairland, Indiana, daughter of Albert and Mary (Palmer) Wells.

Mechanic. Greenwood, Indiana.

Three children were born:

1. Gladys Melrose Fisher, born January 6, 1917.
2. Albert Melvin Fisher, born September 8, 1919; died May 10, 1926. Aged 6 years, 8 months, 2 days.
3. William Henry Fisher, born December 27, 1922.

Fifth Generation

Everett William Fisher was married September 3, 1931 to Bertha Currens of Versailles, Indiana, daughter of Albert and Edna Currens.

Mechanic. Versailles, Indiana. Adventist.

One child was born:

1. Oral Eldin Fisher, born November 20, 1932.

Fifth Generation

Walter Virgil Fisher was married June 26, 1920 to Esther Lois McClain, born June 7, 1906 at Osgood, Indiana, daughter of Christ and Jennie (Warren) McClain.

Mechanic. Lorain, Ohio.

Children:

1. Lois Irene Fisher, born May 1, 1921.
2. Walter Leo Fisher, born January 26, 1923.
3. Lola Maxine Fisher, born March 22, 1925.
4. Ruth Alice Fisher, born May 10, 1927.

Fifth Generation

Mabel Irene Fisher was married February 23, 1921 to Frank Huntington, born February 1, 1895 at Osgood, Indiana, son of Joseph and Harriet (Cornelius) Huntington. Frank Huntington is employed in a casket factory at Greensburg, Indiana.

One child was born:

1. Betty Ilene Huntington, born November 30, 1924; died December 2, 1924.

Fifth Generation

Ernest Leo Fisher was married December 15, 1934 to Evelyn Roell, born April 8, 1911 in Batesville, Indiana, daughter of Aloys and Mary (Strauss) Roell. He is employed in a casket and furniture factory in Batesville, Indiana.

Fifth Generation

Edna Marie Fisher was married May 25, 1926 to Jessie

Gregory. He died October 25, 1927. She was then married June 15, 1929 to Carrie Delmar Alexander. He is employed in office work, and they live in Chicago, Illinois.

Fifth Generation

Bessie May Fisher was married August 21, 1925 to Robert Roy Simmons, born November 27, 1905, son of George and Ida (Foster) Simmons.

Mechanic. Greensburg, Indiana.

Children:

1. Robert Eugene Simmons, born December 4, 1926.
2. Betty Ilene Simmons, born October 14, 1928.
3. Ruth Irene Simmons, born April 9, 1930.
4. Sonny Simmons, born September 15, 1932.

Fourth Generation

Emma Holdeman was married in Carthage, Missouri to William Crouch. After marriage they moved to Champaign, Illinois, but returned to Missouri in the spring of 1898, shortly before her death. She was a member of the Church of the Brethren.

Children:

1. Ella Belle Crouch, born, 1895 in Champaign, Illinois.
2. Child who died in infancy.

Fourth Generation

Aaron Holdeman was married in East St. Louis, Illinois, to Mary Ethel Reynolds. She died in East St. Louis.

One son was born:

1. Elmer Harold Holdeman, born August 11, 1912, at East St. Louis, Illinois.

Aaron Holdeman was married the second time March 8, 1917 at Neosha, Missouri to Elizabeth Heer, born October 20, 1869 in Crawford County, Ohio, daughter of Christian and Margaret (Herr) Heer. For a few years they lived on a farm near Neosha, Missouri, but later moved to East St. Louis, where he spent most of his life, and where they were living when he died. He was an engineer for the Armour Packing Co., and also for the Swift Packing Co. Elizabeth Heer Holdeman now lives in Springfield, Missouri.

Fifth Generation

Elmer Harold Holdeman was married May 2, 1936 in Springfield, Missouri to Bertie Gooch, born November 7,

1917, daughter of Fred and Mae (Pendergraft) Gooch. He is a draftsman and they live in Springfield, Missouri.

Fourth Generation

Mary Holdeman was married June 8, 1891 at Carthage, Missouri to Christ Kahl, born October 4, 1864 in Wayne County, Ohio, son of Charles and Louise (Heer) Kahl. He died February 2, 1937, aged 72 years, 3 months, 28 days. He purchased a farm about twelve miles east of Carthage Missouri, where they lived until a short time before Mary died. Then they went to Colorado for her health. After her death in Colorado, he returned with the children to the home place, where he lived until his death. He was the owner of several large farms in Jasper County, Missouri.

Children, born near Avilla, Missouri:

1. Edward S. Kahl, born September 8, 1892; died November 7, 1895. Aged 3 years, 1 month, 29 days.
2. Mabel Louise Kahl, born August 18, 1894; died June 15, 1919. Aged 24 years, 9 months, 27 days.
3. Clarence Elmer Kahl, born April 19, 1896.
4. Franklin Kahl, born February 19, 1898.
5. Herbert Aaron Kahl, born February 12, 1900.
6. Lora May Kahl, born December 26, 1901.

Fifth Generation

Mabel Louise Kahl was married September 16, 1916 to Murry Howard, born September 23, 1888 in Missouri, son of William and Eliza (McKinley) Howard.

Farmer. Avilla, Missouri. Pentacostal.

One daughter:

1. Mary Eliza Howard, born June 21, 1917 near Avilla, Missouri.

Fifth Generation

Clarence Elmer Kahl was married April 11, 1923 in Carthage, Missouri to Hazel Wyman, born February 26, 1900 at Armadale, Kansas, daughter of Christopher and Elizabeth Wyman.

Farmer. Carthage, Missouri. Baptist.

Children:

1. Mary Alta Kahl, born February 24, 1924.
2. James Louis Kahl, born July 4, 1925.
3. Dorothy Elizabeth Kahl, born November 17, 1926.
4. Max Everett Kahl, born May 16, 1928.

5. Hubert Carl Kahl, born October 4, 1929.
6. Evelyn Louise Kahl, born March 4, 1932.
7. Hazel Lucille Kahl, born October 16, 1935.

Fifth Generation

Herbert Aaron Kahl was married October 10, 1921 to Edna McDonald, born March 5, 1903 at Reeds, Missouri, daughter of Frank and Ida (Zuck) McDonald.

Farmer. Carthage, Missouri. Christian Church.

Children:

1. Charles Kahl, born January 24, 1922.
2. Wayne Kahl, born June 23, 1923; died July 23, 1934.
Aged 11 years, 1 month.
3. Billie Kahl, born April 12, 1926.
4. Faye Kahl, born April 4, 1927.
5. Lloyd Kahl, born October 14, 1928.

Fifth Generation

Lora Mary Kahl was married at Carthage, Missouri to Elmer Buster. They live on the home farm near Avilla, Jasper County, Missouri.

Children:

1. Betty Ruth Buster, born October 21, 1925.
2. June Evelyn Buster, born April 10, 1928.
3. Elmer Junior Buster, born April 25, 1931.

Fourth Generation

Clara Holdeman was married September 6, 1902 at Carthage, Missouri to Hardin Parker. They lived in Webb City, Missouri, for some years, where he was a blacksmith. They now live in Portland, Oregon, 2220 90th St. No children were born.

Sixth Generation

Nettie Holdeman was married October 16, 1892 in Carthage, Missouri, to Francis Marion Day, born May 19, 1854 in Tippah County, Mississippi, second son of Dawson and Nancy Day. He died January 28, 1920; aged 65 years, 8 months, 9 days. They lived near Fort Collins, Colorado. He was a farmer, and a member of the Christian Church. In his later years he was employed by the Great Western Sugar Co. She now lives in Placerville, California, and is a member of the Methodist Church.

Children, born in Jasper County, Missouri:

1. Mary Ellen Day, born September 23, 1893.

2. Ethel Mae Day, born September 10, 1895.
3. Francis Elzie Day, born January 23, 1898.
4. Ira Clayton Day, born March 25, 1900.
5. Gladys Fay Day, born July 6, 1903.
6. Edith Day, born August 2, 1906.

Fifth Generation

Mary Ellen Day married July 4, 1910 to Claud McNutt, born March 1888 in Kansas, oldest son of Robert and Zora (Steven) Nutt.

Farmer. 315 Ave St., Fort Collins, Colorado.

Children, born Fort Collins, Colorado:

1. Virginia Zora McNutt, born May 8, 1911.
2. Robert Marion McNutt, born March 14, 1913.

Sixth Generation

Virginia Zora McNutt was married January 28, 1931 to Harry Christenser, born in Sweden.

Orchardist. 703 Methow St., Wenatchee, Washington.

Sixth Generation

Robert Marion McNutt was married October 21, 1933 to Julia Eleanor Trice, born December 13, 1915 at Barlow, North Dakota, daughter of Walter and Jeannie (Paris) Trice.

Professional boxer and farmer. Prosser, Washington.

They have one child:

1. Kathleen Patricia McNutt, born August 18, 1935 in Prosser, Washington.

Fifth Generation

Ethel Mae Day was married September 20, 1911 to Herman E. Albrandt, born August 13, 1890, second son of Eugene and Christiana (Karg) Albrandt.

Contractor. Fort Collins, Colorado.

Children, born in Fort Collins, Colorado:

1. Edwin Herman Albrandt, born July 22, 1912.
2. Gladys Fay Albrandt, born May 31, 1914; died June 15, 1922. Aged 8 years, 14 days.
3. Grace Annettie Albrandt, born December 9, 1916.
4. Lowell Harold Albrandt, born July 3, 1921.
5. Ralph Richard Albrandt, born November 4, 1925.
6. Lora June Albrandt, born June 22, 1929.
7. Harley Duane Albrandt, born September 4, 1933.

Fifth Generation

Francis Elzie Day was married May 14, 1920 to Jean Watson, born December, 1897 at Fort Collins, Colorado, second daughter of James and Agnes (Frazier) Watson.

Contractor. Greeley, Colorado.

One child was born:

1. Floyd Leroy Day, born July 10, 1921 at Fort Collins, Colorado.

Fifth Generation

Ira Clayton Day was married June 1, 1924 to Thirza Belle Meedel, born January 26, 1905 at Wynnas, Nebraska, daughter of August and Sadie (Parsons) Meedel.

State highway patrolman. Livermore, Colorado.

Children, born at Fort Collins, Colorado:

1. Barbara June Day, born June 2, 1925.
2. Richard Clayton Day, born April 27, 1935.

Fifth Generation

Edith Day was married August 23, 1926 at Fort Collins, Colorado to James J. Boyd, born December 24, 1897 in Norfolk, Virginia, son of James E. and Emma Boyd.

Restaurant owner. Placerville, California.

One child was born:

1. Iris Joan Boyd, born August 18, 1927 at Placerville, California.

Fourth Generation

Malinda Holdeman was married June 30, 1897 to John Reitz, born June 7, 1870, son of Daniel R. and Catharine (Rutt) Reitz. They lived at Carthage, Missouri.

Children:

1. Beulah Reitz, born October 23, 1900.
2. Andrew Reitz, born October 14, 1903.

Malinda Holdeman was married the second time February 22, 1908 to George Dickensheet, son of George and Sarah Dickensheet. He was born February 22, 1860, and died April 23, 1924. They lived in Webb City, Missouri.

A daughter was born:

1. Edith Dickensheet, born January 2, 1910.

Malinda Holdeman was married February 19, 1927 to Chauncey R. Harkness, son of George and Jane Rose Harkness. He was born May 19, 1869 in Terre Haute, Indiana, and died September 23, 1928. He was in the music business in Oklahoma.

Malinda Holdeman was married July 19, 1933 to Joel S. Estes, son of Marion and Nancy (Hiatt) Estes. He was born January 7, 1873 and died January 31, 1936. Joel S. Estes was a prominent lawyer and judge, having served as city attorney of Oklahoma City, attorney for the Oklahoma State Chamber of Commerce, and judge of the Supreme Court of the state of Oklahoma. In 1932 he organized the Roosevelt-for-president club in Oklahoma, and became a personal friend of President Roosevelt. Malinda Holdeman Estes lives at 908 NW 18, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

Fifth Generation

Beulah Reitz was married October 22, 1922 to William Kenneth Johnson, born April 16, 1894, son of Kenneth and Mary Johnson. They live in Kansas City, Missouri, where he is an accountant for the Skelly Oil Company. Their religious affiliation is Methodist.

They have two sons:

1. William Austin Keith Johnson, born December 7, 1923.
2. Ned Reitz Johnson, born September 17, 1929.

Fifth Generation

Andrew Reitz was married April 26, 1934 to Viola Hall, daughter of J. B. and Viola Hall. He is a mechanic and lives in Perryton, Texas.

One child was born:

1. Donna Carrol Reitz, born February 2, 1935.

Fourth Generation

Martha Holdeman was married July 1, 1902 at Carthage, Missouri to Henry G. Pletcher, born December 5, 1880 at Newton, Kansas, son of Thomas S. and Lydia (Good) Pletcher. When only eighteen years of age he started in the carriage building and repairing business. He later took up the automobile painting and upholstering business and followed that until 1922. At that time he took charge of the upholster department of the St. Louis-San Francisco R. R. Co. They live in Springfield, Missouri, and are of the Church of God faith.

Children:

1. Violet Elizabeth Pletcher, born April 8, 1903 at Neck City, Missouri.
2. Edna Arlene Pletcher, born January 18, 1905 at Webb City, Missouri.

3. Nellie Mae Pletcher, born March 17, 1910; died April 16, 1910.
4. Ruth Esther Pletcher, born October 26, 1911 at Webb City, Missouri.

Fifth Generation

Violet Elizabeth Pletcher was married January 29, 1928 to Paul Gibson, born May 12, 1901, son of Samuel and Minnie (Chambers) Gibson.

Salesman. Springfield, Missouri. Church of God.

Children, born in Springleld, Missouri:

1. Mary Elizabeth Gibson, born November 26, 1928.
2. Vera Mae Gibson, born January 26, 1930.
3. James Richard Gibson, born March 3, 1932.

Fifth Generation

Edna Arlene Pletcher was married January 17, 1926 to Ezra Gibson, born August 23, 1904, son of Samuel and Minnie (Chambers) Gibson. He is a manufacturer and distributor of food products, specializing in potato chips. He is of the Church of God faith. They live in Springfield, Missouri.

Children:

1. Henry Charles Gibson, born October 24, 1927.
2. Dorothy Arlene Gibson, born November 29, 1928.

Fourth Generation

Harvey Holdeman was married April 30, 1905 to Lydia Marie Pletcher, born September 13, 1886, oldest daughter of Thomas and Susanne (Burkey) Pletcher. In the early part of their life they lived at Miami, Oklahoma, where he conducted an automobile agency. Later they moved to the Texas panhandle while it was yet a new country. He bought land there and raised wheat extensively, and was also a stock raiser. A few years ago he moved into Perryton, Texas, where he has an automobile agency. His oldest son, Harold, now operates the ranch.

Children:

1. Eva Lucille Holdeman, born March 6, 1906.
2. Harold Alpheus Holdeman, born November 28, 1910.
3. Frank Thomas Holdeman, born October 6, 1913.
4. Madge Eloise Holdeman, born July 22, 1918.
5. Blanche Eileen Holdeman, born July 22, 1918.
6. Nona Carolyn Holdeman, born August 14, 1928.

Fifth Generation

Eva Lucille Holdeman was married May 15, 1927 at Perryton, Texas to Clarence Otto Peterson, born September 26, 1902 at Meno, Oklahoma. He is a farmer, and their religious belief is the Four Square Gospel.

Children:

1. Florence Elizabeth Peterson, born April 21, 1928.
2. Ruby Arlene Peterson, born July 4, 1929.
3. Geneva Louise Peterson, born November 13, 1933.

Fifth Generation

Harold Alpheus Holdeman was married November 27, 1930 at Perryton, Texas to Edna Vandetta Cox, born September 25, 1912 at Los Angeles, California. They live on a farm near Perryton, Texas, and are of the Four Square Gospel Faith.

Children, born at Perryton, Texas:

1. Merry Loraine Holdeman, born May 1, 1932.
2. Betty Maxine Holdeman, born March 16, 1934.

Fifth Generation

Frank Thomas Holdeman was married November 17, 1933 at Granby, Missouri to Henrietta Hatcher, born May 6, 1913. Their home is in Perryton, Texas, where he is engaged in the automobile business with his father. Their religious belief is the Four Square Gospel.

One son was born:

1. Harvey Joe Holdeman, born April 10, 1935.

Fourth Generation

Ella Holdeman was married April 2, 1905 in Pursell, Missouri to Burr Ross.

A daughter was born:

1. Beryl Ruth Ross, born February 6, 1906; died June 18, 1933. Aged 27 years, 4 months, 12 days.

Ella Holdeman was married the second time in 1914 to William Jobson. They live in Tulsa, Oklahoma, where he is manager of the sales department in an automobile agency. She is a member of the Presbyterian Church.

Fifth Generation

Beryl Ruth Ross was married June 12, 1923 in Muskogee, Oklahoma to Harry E. Schaden. They moved to Tampa, Florida, where he is news reporter for the Tampa paper. Beryl died in Tampa, Florida; she had a radio program

over one of the Tampa stations, and edited the Palma Cia Golf Club paper.

One child was born:

1. Mitzi Olivia Schaden, born April 7, 1921.

Fourth Generation

William Clayton Holdeman was married in August, 1909 in Joplin, Missouri, to Josie Miller. They live in Tulsa, Oklahoma, where he is engaged in the automobile business.

They have a son:

1. Billie Eugene Holdeman, born September 26, 1915.

Fifth Generation

Billie Eugene Holdeman was married in February, 1936, in Drumright, Oklahoma, to Mary Louise Noble, born January 15, 1918. They live in Tulsa, Oklahoma.

Third Generation

Nancy Holdeman was married March 6, 1867 to Daniel R. Reitz. She lived only ten days after their marriage.

Third Generation

Mary Holdeman was married in 1868 to James Fike, born in Wayne County, Ohio, son of John Fike. James and Mary (Holdeman) Fike lived in Wayne County, Ohio, on a forty acre farm adjoining the John Holdeman church to the south, but removed to Jasper County, Missouri in 1883. In 1903 they removed to Longdale, Oklahoma, where they were farm owners. They were members of the Church of God in Christ, Mennonite.

Children:

1. Amanda Fike.
2. Emma Fike.
3. Anna Fike, died April 14, 1901.
4. Saba Fike.
5. John H. Fike, born July 6, 1881 in Wayne County, Ohio.
6. James W. Fike.
7. Aquilla F. Fike, born February 8, 1887 in Jasper County, Missouri.
8. Vernon A. Fike.

Fifth Generation

Amanda Fike was married August 25, 1903 to Henry A. Schafer, son of Henry and Christena (Eisel) Schafer.

Farmer. Longdale, Oklahoma. Church of God in Christ, Mennonite.

Children:

1. Edna Schafer, born August 30, 1907, died at the age of seven weeks.
2. Vada Saba Schafer, born June 20, 1908.
3. Georgeirene Mary Schafer, born January 25, 1911.
4. George James Schafer, born January 25, 1911.

Sixth Generation

Vada Saba Schafer was married September 22, 1929 to Jesse P. Johnson, born July 29, 1907, son of Peter and Susie (Unruh) Johnson. They live on a farm near Galva, Kansas, and are members of the Church of God in Christ, Mennonite. Jesse Johnson is a minister of the Gospel.

Children:

1. Donald Wayne Johnson, born February 8, 1931.
2. Harold Eugene Johnson, born August 6, 1933.

Sixth Generation

Georgeirene Mary Schafer was married October 15, 1933 to Alvin J. Becker, born November 2, 1912, son of John and Eva (Ratzlaff) Becker.

Farmer. Canton, Kansas. Church of God in Christ, Mennonite.

Children:

1. Gerald Gale Becker, born September 17, 1934.
2. Orlan Dean Becker, born June 14, 1936.

Sixth Generation

George James Schafer was married October 15, 1933 to Erma Becker, born November 16, 1914, daughter of John and Eva (Ratzlaff) Becker.

Farmer. Longdale, Oklahoma. Church of God in Christ, Mennonite.

Fifth Generation

Emma Fike was married to Sanford A. Linn.

Farmer. Longdale, Oklahoma.

Children:

1. Mary Grace Linn, born October 16, 1896.
2. Hazel Marie Linn, born December 12,

Fifth Generation

Anna Fike was married to Wilbur Monnett.

Children:

1. Francis Monnett, born March 7, 1900.
2. George Monnett, born April 5, 1901.

Fifth Generation

Saba Fike was married October 21, 1908 to Robert F. Ranson, born October 12, 1879 at White Hall, Green County, Illinois, son of Robert and Martha C. (Burton) Ranson.

Rural mail carrier. Hitchcock, Oklahoma. Methodist.
Children:

1. Frances Charmain Ransom, born November 17, 1913.
2. Roberta Sybil Ranson, born October 25, 1918.
3. Robert Fike Ranson, born March 2, 1921.

Fifth Generation

John H. Fike was married August 20, 1904 to Jessie Driver, born December 20, 1883 near Avilla, in Jasper County, Missouri, daughter of Jesse Thomas and Eliza Anne (Arthur) Driver.

Barber. 1124 West Maine, Enid, Oklahoma.
Children:

1. Bessie Waneta Fike, born September 4, 1905.
2. Verda Fike, born May 26, 1910 at Longdale, Oklahoma.
3. Verna Fike, born May 26, 1910, at Longdale, Oklahoma; died July 30, 1910. Aged 2 months, 4 days.
4. Wilma Grace Fike, born June 4, 1913 at Canton, Oklahoma.

Sixth Generation

Bessie Waneta Fike was married August 14, 1933 to Boyd L. Brooks, born February 8, 1908, son of Edward Brooks, Sr., and Addie (Gray) Brooks. Before marriage she was simplex operator for the Western Union Telegraph Co. They lived in Enid, Oklahoma, until April, 1937, when they moved to Los Angeles, California. They are members of the Baptist Church.

Sixth Generation

Verda Fike was married December 2, 1934 to Cleo E. Haworth. They live in Cushing, Oklahoma, and are members of the Baptist Church.

Sixth Generation

Wilma Grace Fike was married April 8, 1935 to Everett Paul Gardner, born March 5, 1916, son of James and Addie (Moore) Gardner. They live in Hollywood, California.

Fifth Generation

James W. Fike was married January 22, 1918 to Blanche Ranson, born July 9, 1889 at Frontenac, Craw-

ford County, Kansas, daughter of Robert and Martha C. (Burton) Ranson. She died January 11, 1937, aged 47 years, 6 months, 2 days.

Farmer. Longdale, Oklahoma.

Fifth Generation

Aquilla F. Fike was married October 14, 1907 to Elva Gorman, born July 29, 1890, daughter of John and Ida (Hubbard) Gorman. He is a barber and operates the Elfi-del Barber Shop in Albuquerque, New Mexico, where they reside.

Children :

1. Maxie Fike, born February 7, 1909.
2. Monte Fike, born September 6, 1912.
3. Doyle Fike, born July 18, 1914.

Fifth Generation

Vernon A. Fike was married to Delphin Saubers. Barber. Longdale, Oklahoma.

Children :

1. Billy Vernon Fike (stepson) born October 3, 1926.
2. James Monroe Fike, born August 5, 1930.
3. Wayne Dale Fike, born September 26, 1934.
4. Duane Doyle Fike, born September 26, 1934.

Third Generation

Sarah Holdeman was married March 12, 1871 to Daniel Swinehart, son of Ephriam and Barbara (Stoner) Swinehart. He was born August 30, 1849 in Ohio and died February 25, 1928 near Carthage, Missouri. They lived on the old Amos Holdeman homestead, in the brick house built by Amos Holdeman in the year 1840, on the bank of the stream called Little Killbuck. Amos Holdeman lived with them until 1883, when they moved from Wayne County, Ohio to Jasper County, Missouri. In Missouri they lived until their death on a farm six miles east of Carthage on what is now Highway 66.

Children, born in Wayne County, Ohio, (excepting four youngest) :

1. Elizabeth Swinehart, born June 29, 1872; died June 7, 1873.
2. Benjamin Franklin Swinehart, born March 29, 1874.
3. Anna Amelia Swinehart, born October 4, 1876. died May 7, 1911.

4. Emma Cordelia Swinehart, born October 16, 1878.
5. Jesse Swinehart, born July 2, 1880; died March 16, 1881.
6. Adrian Swinehart, born March 4, 1882.
7. Alice Mable Swinehart, born August 2, 1884.
8. Mary Grace Swinehart, born April 26, 1886.
9. John Swinehart, born April 20, 1889; died April 2, 1930. Aged 40 years, 11 months, 12 days. Single.
10. Harley Swinehart, born June 25, 1891. He is single and lives on the old home farm six miles east of Carthage, Missouri.

Fourth Generation

Benjamin Franklin Swinehart was married December 24, 1899 to Mary E. Seela. They live near Carthage, Missouri.

Children:

1. Harley Swinehart.
2. Harold Swinehart.
3. Verna Mae Swinehart.

Harley Swinehart lives in New York City.

Fourth Generation

Anna Amelia Swinehart was married August 10, 1895 to Oscar Martin Meyer, born November 15, 1867 at Kims-
wick, Missouri, son of Martin and Anna (Kibburz) Meyer.*
At the time of their marriage he was employed in a flour
mill near Carthage, Missouri. They later moved to East
St. Louis, Illinois, where he operated a carbonated water
bottling works for a few years. Afterwards they returned
to a small farm six miles east of Carthage, where Anna
Amelia Meyer died of pneumonia May 7, 1911. Oscar Mar-
tin Meyer at present lives at Sand Springs, Oklahoma
where he moved in 1916.

Children, born near Carthage, Missouri:

1. George Edward Meyer, born June 1, 1896.
2. Anna Letha Meyer, born September 23, 1897.
3. Pearl Meyer, born December 25, 1899; died August 1, 1900.
4. Frieda Grace Meyer, born October 11, 1905.
5. Allen Martin Meyer, born May 11, 1910.

* Martin and Anna (Kibburz) Meyer were both born in Switzerland. He came to America at the age of sixteen, and died July 31, 1888 at Kims-
wick, Missouri, aged 54 years. She died May 6, 1933 in St. Louis, Missouri,
aged 92 years, 4 months.

Fifth Generation

George Edward Meyer, unmarried, is a farmer living near Carthage, Missouri on the farm on which he was born. He served in the 89th Division in the World War and with the American Expeditionary Forces.

Fifth Generation

Anna Letha Meyer was married May 27, 1922 to Clarence M. Bailey, born September 11, 1890, son of Henry S. and Hannah (Faucett) Bailey. He had been a bookkeeper, an auto parts salesman, and now owns a Cord Piston Ring branch store. He is a World War veteran, and served with the 7th Division in France. Anna Letha (Meyer) Bailey had moved to Tulsa, Oklahoma in 1918. She attends the Christian Science Church. Their present address is 1202 South Carson, Tulsa, Oklahoma. No children.

Fifth Generation

Frieda Grace Meyer was married April 17, 1927 to Ralph Allen Brant, born May 25, 1899 at Canton, Illinois, son of Fred Allen and Lida Rebecca (Bowman) Brant. He holds a Bachelor of Science Degree from the University of Chicago in Geology, specializing in Paleontology. He served with the 33rd Division in the World War and with the A. E. F. in Germany. At present he is employed by the Atlantic Refining Company in Tulsa. Frieda Grace (Meyer) Brant had moved to Sand Springs, Oklahoma, in 1916 and to Tulsa in 1923. Their present address is 2620 East 13th St., Tulsa, Oklahoma.

One child, born in Tulsa, Oklahoma:

1. Patricia Margaret Brant, born March 28, 1935.

Fifth Generation

Allen Martin Meyer moved to Sand Springs, Oklahoma, in 1916, and to Tulsa in 1928. He is a printer, and his present address is 1202 South Carson, Tulsa, Oklahoma.

Fourth Generation

Emma Cordelia Swinehart was married August 22, 1897 to J. Frank Lauderbaugh, son of Jesse and Mary (Stough) Lauderbaugh. He was born July 17, 1878 in Jasper Co., Missouri and died September 18, 1917 in Los Angeles, California. In October, 1903, they moved to Los Angeles; on the third day after arriving he obtained employment in a feed and fuel company, and later worked up from a manual laborer to city salesman. He eventually became a mem-

ber of the firm, which developed into a grain and milling company, and became its head buyer and treasurer.

128 W. 47th St. Los Angeles, California, Nazarene.

One child was born:

1. Mildred Eleanor Lauderbaugh, born April 20, 1899.

Fifth Generation

Mildred Eleanor Lauderbaugh was married January 2, 1926 to Ray B. Butler, son of Thomas and Cecilia (Davis) Butler.

Trucking business. 128 West 47th Street, Los Angeles, California.

To them was born:

1. Ray Franklin Butler, born May 8, 1928.

Fourth Generation

Adrian Swinehart was married July, 1902 to Ethel Logsdon, daughter of James A. and Mary L. Logsdon.

Poultry Rancher. Carthage, Missouri, Route 6.

One son:

1. Lowell Swinehart.

Fourth Generation

Alice Mable Swinehart was married February 16, 1902 to Clayton E. Logsdon, son of James A. and Mary L. Logsdon.

Trucking Business. 5425 Abbott Place, Los Angeles, California. Methodist.

Children, born in Carthage, Missouri:

1. Mary Lucille Logsdon, born January 9, 1905.
2. Pauline Frances Logsdon, born April 1, 1908.

Fifth Generation

Mary Lucille Logsdon was married January 27, 1926 to James E. Armstrong.

Salesman. 350 N. Avenue 57, Los Angeles, California. Methodist.

To them was born:

1. Catherine Louise Armstrong, born July 6, 1927.

Fifth Generation

Pauline Frances Logsdon was married July 17, 1926 to John J. Godett.

Salesman. 5238 Lincoln Avenue, Los Angeles, California. Methodist.

Children :

1. Robert Clayton Godett, born March 9, 1927.
2. Donald Lee Godett, born November 6, 1929.
3. Jack Elwin Godett, born February 15, 1931.

Fourth Generation

Mary Grace Swinehart was married April 5, 1911 to Walter Leslie Underwood, son of Judson Leroy and Ida Susan (Cox) Underwood.

Farmer. Carthage, Missouri, Route 1. Methodist.

Children :

1. Blanche Cozette Underwood, born March 13, 1918.
2. Leslie Delbert Underwood, born January 18, 1920; died April 20, 1926.
3. Helen Maxine Underwood, born January 31, 1921.



Amos Holdeman House in Wayne Co. Ohio.

Third Generation

Henry N. Holdeman was married March 7, 1878 to Sarah E. Darcas. She was raised by Michael and Elizabeth Shaum who had no children of their own. On February 3, 1879 they bought a farm of 148 acres in Congress Tofn-ship, Wayne County, it being a part of the northeast quarter of section 22, about one mile northeast of Congress. On March 28, 1885 they sold this farm, and on April 7, 1885, nine days after signing the deed, Sarah E. Holdeman died; aged 25 years 10 months 28 days. She is buried in the Eight Square Cemetery.

Children:

1. Ida Holdeman, born January 18, 1879.
2. Irwin Holdeman, born September 12, 1880; died January 22, 1922. Aged 41 years, 4 months, 10 days.
3. Stella A. Holdeman, born April 23, 1883; died February 8, 1884. Aged 9 months, 15 days.

Henry N. Holdeman was married the second time to Mrs. Carrie Oswalt, whose maiden name had been Caroline (Carrie) Faud. Henry Holdeman then decided to go west. He loaded two car loads of Holstein cattle, which he shipped to Carthage, Jasper County, Missouri, and located near Carthage. After living there for ten years they moved to Crawford County, Kansas, where they lived for five years; then they moved westward again and located on a farm southwest of Meade, Kansas, and lived there until 1914 when the family moved to Meade, which has been their home. She died January 12, 1935.

Fourth Generation

Ida Holdeman was married July 3, 1918 to Rev. William Reid, a minister in the Methodist Episcopal Church. He was born August 29, 1865, and died July 12, 1925; aged 59 years, 10 months, 13 days. He had held pastorates in Oklahoma, Kansas, and Texas. Ida Holdeman Reid lives in Meade, Kansas.

Fourth Generation

Irwin Holdeman was married December 21, 1904 to Florence Carey, born July 26, 1885, daughter of John and Alice (Wood) Carey. They lived on a farm near Meade, Kansas.

Children:

1. Helen Eugenia Holdeman, born October 5, 1905.
2. Ida Lucille Holdeman, born July 20, 1907.
3. Elsie Marguerite Holdeman, born August 7, 1910.
4. Frieda Louise Holdeman, born April 12, 1912.
5. John Henry Holdeman, born December 8, 1914.
6. James Irwin Holdeman, born June 3, 1917.
7. Anna Ellen Holdeman, born July 3, 1919.
8. Robert Paul Holdeman, born May 9, 1922.

Fifth Generation

Helen Eugenia Holdeman was married June 1, 1929 to Ernest Cecil Dye, born May 21, 1898, son of Benjamin F.

and Mamie (McQueen) Dye. They live on a farm near Meade, Kansas.

Children:

1. Ernest Leland Dye, born April 15, 1930.
2. John Franklin Dye, born August 9, 1931.
3. Donald Irwin Dye, born September 9, 1933.

Fifth Generation

Ida Lucille Holdeman was married December 31, 1935 to Russell D. Finnell.

Fifth Generation

Elsie Marguerite Holdeman was married August 28, 1935 to Lester Ellis.

MARGARET HOLDEMAN FAMILY

Second Generation

✓ MARGARET HOLDEMAN was married in November, 1827 to Samuel Yoder, who was born in Pennsylvania in 1804 and was the son of John and (Kauffman) Yoder. The John Yoder family had moved from Pennsylvania to Ohio in 1818. It has been said that the first time Samuel Yoder saw Margaret Holdeman he said, "I will have her for my wife; if not, it will not be my fault." They lived in Columbiana County, near Leetonia, Ohio. He died in November, 1835, at the age of 31 years. He is buried in the Leetonia Cemetery.

Margaret Holdeman was married the second time November 19, 1836 to Jacob Freed, born June 11, 1796 in Rockingham County, Virginia, the son of Jacob and Mary (Beidler) Freed of Bucks County, Pennsylvania, who had moved to Rockingham County, Virginia, and later returned to Pennsylvania, settling this time in Fayette County. Jacob Freed was seven years old when his parents returned to Pennsylvania, where he grew to manhood.

While still a young man Jacob Freed came to Ohio on horseback, and purchased a farm in the heavy forest land of Paint Township, Holmes County, near Winesburg. He cleared the ground, and planted apple seeds from which he raised several orchards of choice fruit. Some of the grafts were later brought to Indiana. On March 15, 1821 Jacob Freed married Anna Freed, who died May 25, 1834; they had two sons, John and Andrew Freed.

Jacob and Margaret (Holdeman, Yoder) Freed moved from Holmes County to Wayne County, Ohio, and on September 13, 1844 bought from Thomas Cook a parcel of land consisting of eighty acres. It was the north half of the southeast quarter of section four in Chester Township, and the deed was signed in the presence of William Carlan and Christian Holdeman.¹

In the spring of 1851 Jacob Freed came to Indiana with the Weldys, who moved out at that time, to invest in land;

¹. Harvey S. Rutt, **History of Chester Township, Wayne County, Ohio**, p. 138.

he then returned to Ohio, and in the autumn of the same year the entire family came by teams and wagons, in a colony comprising eighteen persons, and were twelve days on the way. The roads were swampy and spongy, and chills and ague were the dread of the country. On the way some people would tell him that he could not get through certain places for there was no bottom. One man said there were holes so that the wagon would go down 'gasock'. Others said that they had better get their coffins made first, but in the face of all these remarks Jacob Freed journeyed on with his caravan until the destination was reached.

They settled in Locke Township, Elkhart County, Indiana, and purchased a pioneer farm one and one-half miles south of Wakarusa, on which was a little log cabin about eighteen by twenty feet in size. It was in the month of October when they arrived, and there was no barn on the farm except a small shed; there were also several log cabins scattered about, but there was not sufficient protection for stock from the cold winter blasts that were fast approaching. It was therefore necessary to build a barn that fall yet, and consequently the cutting of the great trees began at once. There was luckily a saw mill one mile west on the Asher Lockwood farm, making the distance comparatively short for the hauling of logs and building material. In a short time a substantial barn was erected, which was long a relic on the farm where Arthur Weldy now lives. Later the log house was displaced by a more commodious frame house. The eighty acre farm in Wayne County, Ohio, had in the meantime, on September 11, 1852, been sold to Peter Howman.

On October 13, 1852 Jacob Freed had purchased the southwest quarter of section one in township thirty-five (Locke), and also the north one-half of the southeast quarter of section two in the same township, for \$1900 from Joel and Mary Farley. Margaret Freed purchased on July 30, 1853 from Joseph and Charity Pittman for \$500 the north half of the south half of the southeast quarter of section two in Locke Township. These tracts of land were located one and one-half miles south of Wakarusa.

The neighbors were very sociable in those times. A particular instance of this was when men with ox teams would gather together in what they called a logging bee,

and helped each other roll the immense logs on jam piles to burn.

The Longstreet school stood on Frank Clay's farm, but later one fourth mile east from where it was most recently located, and was called the Basswood schoolhouse. Before the rural schoolhouses had been built, the children went to school in the village then called Salem, now Wakarusa. The township road between Olive and Locke, however, was not yet laid out.

On Sunday the family forded the Baugo through the woods to the Holdeman Church, or went through the woods, over streams and ditches, and past the stone quarry to the Yellow Creek Church. They went in a wagon, and sometimes the greater part of the family did not even have a spring seat.

Christiana Freed Landis, a daughter of Jacob and Margaret Freed, from whose writings some of the information on Jacob Freed has been taken, has written reminiscences of the early days, and told how they used to get lost in the dense forest and wander around, thinking they were going straight ahead, but found by the mark of a fallen tree or some other object, that they came back to the same place they had been before. She writes: "My father and I went nutting one day when I was a very small girl. We got our sacks full of nuts, then father said, 'Sis (as I was then called), I am lost; can you find the way home?' I said, 'Oh yes, this is the way home', and I took the lead. We came to a clearing, but father said he had never seen this place, so he took another course and came to our clearing. When he saw the buildings he couldn't believe it was our home until he saw the boys at work in the field. In those days the cattle were turned loose in the woods with bells on. These bells could be heard for several miles and were the means of finding the cattle. If the fellow who went after the cows stayed too late, a dinner horn was blown or a tree hit with a sledge, so they could find the way home. Generally the fellow would follow the cattle, which always took the right course for home."

Shortly after his marriage to Margaret Holdeman Yoder, Jacob Freed was ordained to the ministry, and was for more than thirty years a minister of the Gospel in the Mennonite Church. After coming to Indiana he was one of the

ministers at the Holdeman congregation. During the last five months of his life he suffered much, and was compelled to sit in his chair day and night. It was said that in all his afflictions he murmured not, but showed great patience and resignation to the will of God. He died April 1, 1868, aged 71 years, 9 months, 21 days.

Margaret Holdeman Yoder Freed was connected with the church in Elkhart County, Indiana, almost from the time of its first organization, and in all the trials and sorrows through which the church passed, and through the perilous times of dissension, and division, and falling away, the Lord preserved her, and enabled her to stand faithful to her trust in God, her home church, and her conference. She was an able and zealous defender of Bible truth and the doctrines of the church, and was always ready with a word of instruction and comfort in trial. When it was possible for her to attend the church services her place was never vacant. She was indeed one whose life to all appearance deserves more than a passing notice, and probably no sister in the church in Elkhart County was so well and so widely known.

She was one of those mothers in Israel whose work never seems finished; yet we have the blessed assurance that her dying words were a true expression of the condition of her soul, when she said, "I am now ready." She lived in widowhood nineteen years. After a lingering sickness of twelve weeks, she died May 30, 1887, aged 77 years, 4 months, and 13 days. She was buried in the Olive graveyard, where an unusually large number of relatives and friends assembled to attend the funeral services which were held by Amos Mumaw, Peter Y. Lehman, and John S. Coffman. At the time of her death she had 8 surviving children, 76 grandchildren and 67 great-grandchildren.

To Samuel and Margaret (Holdeman) Yoder were born three sons and two daughters:

1. John H. Yoder, born September 6, 1828; died September 10, 1902. Aged 74 years, 4 days.
2. Elizabeth Yoder, born February 27, 1830; died October 21, 1914. Aged 84 years, 7 months, 24 days.
3. Nancy (Anna) Yoder, born June 4, 1832; died March 2, 1919. Aged 86 years, 8 months, 28 days.

4. Jacob H. Yoder, born June 4, 1832; died September 25, 1910. Aged 78 years, 3 months, 21 days.
5. Samuel Yoder, born May 3, 1835; died March 12, 1925. Aged 89 years, 10 months, 9 days.

To Jacob and Margaret (Holdeman, Yoder) Freed were born three daughters and one son:

1. Catherine Freed, born September 14, 1837; died March 7, 1907. Aged 69 years, 5 months, 23 days.
2. Mary Freed, born May 7, 1842; died April 21, 1893. Aged 50 years, 11 months, 14 days.
3. Joseph Freed, born January 29, 1844; died August 11, 1864. Aged 20 years, 6 months, 12 days.
4. Christiana Freed, born November 9, 1850; died January 16, 1917. Aged 66 years, 2 months, 7 days.

Joseph Freed was a soldier in the Civil War, having enrolled January 16, 1864, and was a private in Company E, 129th Regiment Indiana Volunteer Infantry. He died August 11, 1864 in a hospital at Jeffersonville, Indiana.

Third Generation

John H. Yoder was married December 13, 1849 to Mary Shaum, born May 15, 1832 in Wayne County, Ohio, daughter of Rev. John and Sarah (Buzzard) Shaum. She died April 13, 1889, aged 56 years, 10 months, 28 days. Soon after marriage they moved to Elkhart County, Indiana, and located five miles south of Elkhart. Later they moved west of the Olive Mennonite Church, five miles north of Wakarusa, where Mary (Shaum) Yoder died. His last years were spent in Wakarusa, where he was the owner of a drug store, and where his neice kept house for him. John H. and Mary (Shaum) Yoder were members of the Mennonite Church.

Children:

1. Elmyra Yoder, born December 2, 1850; died March 10, 1864. Aged 13 years, 3 months, 8 days.
2. Mary Elizabeth Yoder, born April 19, 1852; died August 27, 1893. Aged 41 years, 4 months, 8 days.
3. Isaiah Yoder, born January 9, 1854; died April 13, 1857. Aged 3 years, 3 months, 4 days.
4. Sarah Yoder, born April 24, 1855; died November 11, 1927. Aged 72 years, 6 months, 17 days.
5. Samuel Yoder, born July 30, 1856; died January 3, 1857. Aged 5 months, 3 days.

6. Samantha Yoder, born March 31, 1858; died September 10, 1883. Aged 25 years, 5 months, 9 days.
7. John Yoder, born April 18, 1860; died February 26, 1864. Aged 3 years, 10 months, 8 days.
8. Abbie Yoder, born October 17, 1861; died September 9, 1862. Aged 10 months, 22 days.
9. William H. Yoder, born February 13, 1863; died March 4, 1864. Aged 1 year, 21 days.
10. Margaret Salome Yoder, born June 6, 1864; died December 26, 1932. Aged 68 years, 6 months, 20 days.
11. Nancy Ann Yoder, born October 22, 1865; died May 10, 1899. Aged 33 years, 6 months, 18 days.
12. Infant son, born October 3, 1867; died same day.
13. Adam Yoder, born November 2, 1868; died February 14, 1918. Aged 49 years, 3 months, 12 days.
14. Infant son, born August 2, 1874; died same day.

Fourth Generation

Mary Elizabeth Yoder was married February 12, 1878 in Elkhart County, Indiana, to Isaac Christophel, son of Henry and Elizabeth (Walter) Christophel. He was a farmer, and lived in Concord Township. His farm joined the John H. Yoder farm. He was born July 13, 1855 in Union Township, Elkhart County, and died August 21, 1885; aged 30 years, 1 month, 8 days. They were members of the Menonite Church.

Children:

1. Alvin Christophel, born February 4, 1879.
2. Myron Christophel, born November 18, 1880.
3. Phoebe Christophel, born March 16, 1882; died October 15, 1882.
4. Agnes Christophel, born August 1, 1883.

Fifth Generation

Alvin Christophel was married to Catherine Edna Bussard, born April 12, 1878 in Friendship Township, Emmet County, near Harbor Springs, Michigan, daughter of John Bussard of Hagerstown, Maryland, and Maria Weybright of Syracuse, Indiana.

Farmer. Bristol, Indiana. Evangelical Church.

Children:

1. Byron Alvin Christophel, born July 30, 1907.
2. Mary Catharine Christophel, born November 1, 1909.

3. Alice Delta Christophel, born November 2, 1911; died November 5, 1911.

Byron Alvin Christophel is a partner with his father in the operation of the 136 acre Alvin Christophel farm.

Mary Catharine Christophel has been deputy clerk in the Elkhart Superior Court in Elkhart, Indiana since 1926.

Fifth Generation

Myron Christophel had been an irrigation inspector for a large land corporation in the West, and has had other occupations. He has lived for a number of years in Bakersfield, California. He is unmarried.

Fifth Generation

Agnes Christophel was married August 4, 1904 to John M. Shank, son of David and Magdalena (Seitz) Shank. Their address is Goshen, Indiana. They live on a farm northeast of Wakarusa, and are members of the First Christian Church of Wakarusa, Indiana.

Children:

1. Alvin Winfred Shank, born February 19, 1905.
2. Gladys Marie Shank, born September 14, 1906.
3. Ray Melvin Shank, born November 7, 1908.
4. Florence Edna Shank, born May 6, 1910.
5. Irma May Shank, born September 22, 1912.
6. Marjorie Elizabeth Shank, born May 1, 1915.
7. Lucile Virginia Shank, born November 4, 1918.
8. Kenneth Lamar Shank, born September 29, 1921.
9. Donald Vance Shank, born September 4, 1924.
10. Kermit Eugene Shank, born September 28, 1927.

Sixth Generation

Alvin Winfred Shank was married February, 1927, to Grace Wells of South Bend. They live in South Bend, Indiana, where he is a teller in the Merchants National Bank.

They have a son:

1. Eugene Alvin Shank, born December 22, 1930.

Sixth Generation

Gladys Marie Shank was married June 20, 1926 to Harold Ganger, son of Harvey and Amelia (Huffner) Ganger. He had been a school teacher in Union Township, Elkhart County, Indiana, and is now a city mail carrier in Elkhart, Indiana, where they live. Church of the Brethren.

Children:

1. Joan Amelia Ganger, born August 5, 1928.

2. Ronald Neal Ganger, born July 24, 1932.
3. Jerrie Ann Ganger, born August 11, 1933.
4. Joyce Harold Ganger, born November, 1934.

Sixth Generation

Ray Melvin Shank was married June 14, 1928 to Treva Enders, born October 25, 1912, daughter of Clayton and Myrtle (Bosse) Enders. He is service manager in a garage in Elkhart, Indiana. They live in Wakarusa, Indiana, and are members of the Christian Church.

Children:

1. Wendell Ray Shank, born January 7, 1929.
2. Jacsie Vee Shank, born April 13, 1933.

Sixth Generation

Florence Edna Shank was married May 28, 1927 to Merle L. Schwalm, born February 16, 1909, son of Rev. Harvey and Susan (Miller) Schwalm. He is an owner of the Goshen Auto Electric and Brake Service in Goshen, Indiana. They are members of the Church of the Brethren.

Children:

1. Donna Jean Schwalm, born September 19, 1927.
2. Dean Lamar Schwalm, born July 23, 1929.
3. Jane Iris Schwalm, born September 23, 1932.

Sixth Generation

Irma May Shank was married April 13, 1930 to Calvin Mishler, born October 1, 1910, son of Levi and Rosa (Essig) Mishler. He is a mechanic in Goshen, Indiana. They are members of the Church of the Brethren.

Children:

1. Roger Eugene Mishler, born June 4, 1932.
2. Davie Lee Mishler, born October 26, 1934.

Sixth Generation

Lucile Virginia Shank was married January 21, 1936 to Paul Messner, born March 17, 1916, son of Julius and Mildred (McGary) Messner.

To them was born:

1. Rae Ann Messner, born August 25, 1936.

Fourth Generation

Sarah Yoder was married November 6, 1873 to Jonas A. Brubaker, son of Michael and Mary (Auker) Brubaker. He was born November 4, 1850 in Juniata County, Pennsylvania, and died December 26, 1932, in Elkhart County, Indi-

ana; aged 82 years, 1 month, 22 days. He had come to Elkhart County in October, 1872, and worked on a farm just across the road from his later home one mile east and three-fourth mile north of the Olive Church. In 1879 he was converted and united with the Mennonite Church, and on April 24, 1886 he was called to the office of deacon which he faithfully filled. "If ye love me, keep my commandments" is a scripture he often repeated to the congregation.

Two daughters and two sons were born to Jonas A. and Sarah (Yoder) Brubaker:

1. Mary Ann Brubaker, born February 15, 1875; died March 7, 1875.
2. William Henry Brubaker, born April 5, 1876.
3. John Elmer Brubaker, born October 3, 1878.
4. Bertha Ellen Brubaker, born May 4, 1889.

Fifth Generation

William H. Brubaker was married December 25, 1898 to Celestia Loucks, born July 18, 1878, daughter of John and Mary (Metzler) Loucks.

William H. Brubaker was ordained a minister of the Gospel November 24, 1917 in the Church of the Brethren and has held the following pastorates: the Elkhart Valley Church near Elkhart, Indiana, for more than three years, 1917 to 1921; the Baugo Church near Wakarusa, Indiana, for fourteen years, 1921 to 1935; and the Maple Grove Church near New Paris, Indiana, since near the beginning of 1935. Since February, 1935, he has resided in New Paris, Indiana.

Children of William H. and Celestia (Loucks) Brubaker:

1. Ralph Olan Brubaker, born December 3, 1900.
2. Treva May Brubaker, born November 20, 1906.

Sixth Generation

Ralph Olan Brubaker was married June 28, 1924 to Agnes L. Harter, daughter of Henry J. and Martha Jane (Dolman) Harter. She was born June 23, 1903, and died May 27, 1928.

Children:

1. Levon Lamar Brubaker, born August 11, 1925.
2. Dale William Brubaker, born May 23, 1928; died June 12, 1928.

Ralph Olan Brubaker was married August 17, 1929 to

Edna Gorsuch, daughter of William and Anna (Herr) Leatherman.

Farmer. Goshen, Indiana. Church of the Brethren.

Children:

1. Norma Belle Brubaker, born March 31, 1930.
2. Phyllis Joan Brubaker, born July 6, 1932.
3. Helen Jean Brubaker, born December 4, 1935.

Sixth Generation

Treva May Brubaker was married December 3, 1927 to Vernon W. Nunemaker, born July 12, 1906 in Elkhart County, Indiana, son of Henry and Sarah (Walmer) Nunemaker.

Farmer. Goshen, Indiana. Church of the Brethren.

Children:

1. Waneta Nunemaker, born September 16, 1929.
2. Julia Ann Nunemaker, born April 15, 1931.
3. Richard Clayton Nunemaker, born May 11, 1933.

Fifth Generation

John Elmer Brubaker was married to Emma Myers. Emma (Myers) Brubaker died

John Elmer Brubaker was married June 12, 1912 to Alice Swan, born November 18, 1876. Alice (Swan) Brubaker died September 10, 1919.

John Elmer Brubaker was married October 6, 1921 to Julia Snell. Julia (Snell) Brubaker died November 23, 1930.

John Elmer Brubaker was married December 1, 1933 to Louella Cook, born December 12, 1881.

He had been connected with the grocery business for a number of years in Elkhart, Indiana. No descendants.

Fifth Generation

Bertha Ellen Brubaker was married March 13, 1909 to Harvey Cook, born April 18, 1885, son of Thyous and Ellen (Dunmire) Cook. They live on what was the Jonas Brubaker farm south of Elkhart, Indiana, and are members of the Mennonite Brethren in Christ Church.

Children:

1. Willis Raymond Cook, born April 5, 1910.
2. Ruth Alice Cook, born December 17, 1916.
3. Donald Ray Cook, born September 21, 1919.

4. Richard Eugene Cook, born August 17, 1925; died August 23, 1925.
5. Helen Louise Cook, born March 10, 1928.

Fourth Generation

Samantha Yoder was married December 9, 1875 to Emanuel Hernley. He died March 22, 1902.

Fourth Generation

Margaret Salome Yoder was married March 9, 1889 to Albert Gongwer, born May 17, 1857 in Ashland County, Ohio, son of Michael and Catherine (Moyer) Gongwer, and died March 8, 1904 in Elkhart, Indiana, aged 46 years, 9 months, 21 days. They lived on a farm in Olive Township, Elkhart County, Indiana, and were members of the Mennonite Church. It has been said that her interests in life centered about God, the Church, and her home.

Children:

1. Maurice Elmer Gongwer, born September 26, 1891.
2. Charles Vernon Gongwer, born October 13, 1893.
3. Florence Ethel Gongwer, born January 13, 1896.
4. Walter Byron Gongwer, born January 11, 1898.
5. Grace Edna Gongwer, born March 16, 1900.
6. Willis Leroy Gongwer, born July 28, 1902.

Fifth Generation

Maurice Elmer Gongwer was married March 13, 1915 to Olive Stauffer, born October 20, 1895, daughter of John E. and Lilly (Ralston) Stauffer.

Farmer. Wakarusa, Indiana. Mennonite.

Children:

1. Nelson Lavon Gongwer, born May 9, 1916.
2. Robert Lewis Gongwer, born December 5, 1917.
3. Child, died in infancy.
4. Ivan Lamar Gongwer, born April 10, 1924.
5. Grace Lucille Gongwer, born July 16, 1926.
6. Maurice Dale Gongwer, born April 1, 1931.

Robert Lewis Gongwer is a student at Goshen College.

Fifth Generation

Charles Vernon Gongwer was married June 7, 1913 to Joy Swarm, daughter of Henry Swarm.

Children:

1. Albert Henry Gongwer, born October 31, 1914.
2. Lowell Charles Gongwer, born May 5, 1916.
3. Dewey Virgil Gongwer, born May 23, 1918.

4. Clara Edna Gongwer, born November 24, 1921.
5. June Emma Gongwer, born June 24, 1927.

Fifth Generation

Florence Ethel Gongwer was married April 14, 1917 to Chester Blosser, born December 19, 1891, son of Jacob and Harriet (Christophel) Blosser.

Farmer. Elkhart, Indiana. Mennonite.

Children:

1. Gladys Evelyn Blosser, born July 7, 1918.
2. Vera May Blosser, born June 24, 1923.

Fifth Generation

Walter Byron Gongwer was married June 30, 1935 to Mary Saxton Blocher, born June 24, 1899, daughter of John M. and Amanda (Musser) Blocher. She had been a teacher in the schools of Elkhart County, and taught in Wakarusa and later for a number of years in Elkhart. They live on a farm north of Wakarusa and are affiliated with the Mennonite Brethren in Christ Church.

A daughter was born:

1. Carolyn Jane Gongwer, born July 9, 1936.

Fifth Generation

Grace Edna Gongwer was married May 5, 1923 to Serenus Bare, born August 27, 1895, son of Rev. John and Lovina (Rohrer) Bare.

Farmer. Nappanee, Indiana. Mennonite.

Fifth Generation

Willis Leroy Gongwer was married August 7, 1926 to Treva Faye Hunsberger, born November 14, 1907, daughter of William and Emma (Dolman) Hunsberger.

Children:

1. Lois Maxine Gongwer, born May 5, 1927.
2. Carl Edward Gongwer, born October 15, 1928.
3. Glen Eugene Gongwer, born July 4, 1931.
4. Wayne LaMar Gongwer, born February 2, 1932.
5. Richard Lee Gongwer, born August 10, 1933.

Fourth Generation

Nancy Ann Yoder was married February 28, 1885 to Cornelius O. Ehret, born February 7, 1862, son of Jacob and Mary (Morris) Ehret. They lived on a farm in Baugo Township, Elkhart County, Indiana.

Children:

1. Ansel J. Ehret, born December 9, 1885.

2. Joseph O. Ehret, born October 3, 1887; died March 30, 1889.
3. Howard W. Ehret, born August 27, 1889.
4. John Russell Ehret, born February 1, 1892.
5. Dwight Y. Ehret, born January 24, 1894.
6. Ona Marie Ehret, born September 7, 1895.

Fifth Generation

Ansel J. Ehret was married April 18, 1909 to Anna L. Krieghbaum, born April 17, 1892, daughter of William and Dorothy (Frank) Krieghbaum.

Farmer. Edwardsburg, Michigan. Methodist.

Two sons:

1. Yale Winfred Ehret, born February 3, 1910.
2. Waldo Gladwyn Ehret, born September 27, 1912.

Waldo Gladwyn Ehret is a machinist. He lives at home with his parents.

Sixth Generation

Yale Winfred Ehret was married December 15, 1928, to Elnora Davis, born July 12, 1908, daughter of Ben and Ida (Harwood) Davis. He is a draftsman, and they live in Elkhart, Indiana.

Children:

1. Norma Jane Ehret, born September 7, 1931.
2. Dean Yale Ehret, born September 30, 1935.

Fifth Generation

Howard Winfield Ehret was married March 1, 1926 to Pearl Yates.

Farmer. Fishtail, Montana.

Children:

1. Howard Wesley Ehret, born January 14, 1928.
2. Ona Pearl Ehret, born February 14, 1930.

Fifth Generation

John Russell Ehret was married April 17, 1920 to Irene Schalliol, born August 20, 1899 in Madison Township, St. Joseph County, Indiana, daughter of Julius and Matilda (Harter) Schalliol. They live on a farm west of Wyatt, but their address is Bremen, Indiana.

Children:

1. Stanley Dale Ehret, born July 22, 1920.
2. Carl Russell Ehret, born December 30, 1922.
3. Lowell Kenneth Ehret, born May 4, 1924.

4. Joy Marie Ehret, born February 5, 1927.
5. Virgil Levon Ehret, born December 20, 1930.

Fifth Generation

Dwight Y. Ehret was married June 29, 1916 to Grace Weaver, born October 14, 1895, daughter of Samuel and Magdalena (Eby) Weaver.

Farmer. Goshen, Indiana. Mennonite.

One son was born to them:

1. Robert D. Ehret, born August 11, 1922.

Fifth Generation

Ona Marie Ehret was married July 15, 1915, to Frank Wendell Essig, son of Lewis and Mary (Leininger) Essig. He had been a foreman in N. Y. C. R. R. repair shops. They live in Elkhart, Indiana.

Children:

1. Marie Elnore Essig, born October 11, 1916.
2. Howard Wendell Essig, born August 27, 1920.
3. Frances May Essig, born May 14, 1924.
4. Martha Joan Essig, born September 2, 1930.

Fourth Generation

Adam Yoder was married November 16, 1889 to Mary A. Shutts, daughter of Isaiah and Rebecca Shutts. They had lived in Washington, D. C., and he was for four years employed in the U. S. Treasury. Adam Yoder died in Washington, D. C.

They had two sons:

1. Charles Chester Yoder, born March 6, 1892.
2. William McKinley Yoder, born November 10, 1893.

Fifth Generation

Charles Chester Yoder was married February 13, 1909 to Flossie Mishler, daughter of Edwin and Laura (Shupert) Mishler. She is a postal clerk in the Wakarusa Post Office, Wakarusa, Indiana.

Children:

1. Gladys Wava Yoder, born December 25, 1909; died January 2, 1910.
2. Laura Alice Yoder, born September 8, 1911.

Charles Chester Yoder was married November 19, 1913 to Esther May Brown. He is a street car motorman, and they live in Berwyn, Maryland.

Children:

1. Ellen May Yoder, born December 5, 1916.
2. Esther Marie Yoder, born April 6, 1920.
3. Charlotte Frances Yoder, born September 20, 1924.

Sixth Generation

Laura Alice Yoder was married June 30, 1928 to Ernest Pfeiffer, son of Larry Ernest and Lydia (Barth) Pfeiffer. They live in Wakarusa, Indiana, and he is by occupation a sprayer in a factory.

Children:

1. Ramon Bruce Pfeiffer, born April 7, 1929.
2. Larry Pfeiffer, born July 14, 1933; died July 13, 1934.
3. Marcia Ellen Pfeiffer, born April 22, 1935.

Fifth Generation

William McKinley Yoder was married August 17, 1914 to Natalia Lymangrover, born June 8, 1893, daughter of Marion and May (Henry) Lymangrover. They live in Wakarusa, Indiana, and he is employed at the Studebaker Corporation in South Bend.

Children:

1. William Junior Yoder, born January 26, 1916.
2. Wade Yoder, born August 24, 1918.
3. Ronald Yoder, born June 1, 1926.
4. Mary Rose Yoder, born June 5, 1930.

Third Generation

Elizabeth Yoder was married November 6, 1851 to Henry Smeltzer, son of Michael and Susan (Rhodes) Smeltzer. He was born November 17, 1825, and died November 2, 1895; aged 69 years, 11 months, 15 days. Born in Manor Township, Lancaster County, Pennsylvania, he came with his parents to Richland County, Ohio when he was only six months old, and in 1849 they removed from there to Indiana. He lived through most of his married life on the Smeltzer farm one mile north of Wakarusa. A brother, John Smeltzer, at an early date started a saw mill and was a pioneer in the lumber business at Wakarusa. Henry and Elizabeth (Yoder) Smeltzer were members of the Mennonite Church.

To this union were born seven sons and five daughters:

1. Jacob Y. Smeltzer, born March 18, 1853; died February 15, 1921. Aged 67 years, 10 months, 27 days.

2. Amos Smeltzer, born May 14, 1855; died February 10, 1860. Aged 4 years, 8 months, 26 days.
3. Samuel Smeltzer, born February 2, 1857; died June 15, 1933. Aged 76 years, 4 months, 23 days.
4. Levi Smeltzer, born November 17, 1858; died May 12, 1917. Aged 58 years, 5 months, 25 days.
5. Lovina Smeltzer, born May 11, 1860; died February 12, 1930. Aged 69 years, 9 months, 1 day.
6. Anna Smeltzer, born February 5, 1862.
7. David Smeltzer, born December 5, 1863; died December 23, 1936. Aged 73 years, 18 days.
8. Susanna Smeltzer, born May 27, 1865; died September 5, 1866. Aged 1 year, 3 months, 9 days.
9. Aaron Smeltzer, born March 25, 1867; died May 13, 1930. Aged 63 years, 1 month, 18 days.
10. Margaret Salome Smeltzer, born January 15, 1869.
11. Mary Ellen Smeltzer, born June 4, 1871.
12. Enos Smeltzer, born July 18, 1873; died March 18, 1875. Aged 1 year, 8 months, 1 day.

Fourth Generation

Jacob Y. Smeltzer was married March 1, 1877 to Elizabeth Culp, born June 8, 1858, daughter of Henry and Sarah (Wansettler) Culp. They lived in Nappanee, Indiana, and he was a buyer of poultry. For seven years they lived in Michigan, but their last years were spent in Elkhart, Indiana. Elizabeth Culp Smeltzer died June 14, 1934; aged 76 years, 6 days. Their church affiliation was Mennonite.

Children:

1. Carrie Etta Smeltzer, born March 7, 1880; died July 11, 1893. Aged 13 years, 4 months, 4 days.
2. Warren Henry Smeltzer, born December 18, 1885.
3. Carlton Culp Smeltzer, born January 30, 1892.
4. Edna Frances Smeltzer, born January 10, 1894; died August 16, 1928. Aged 34 years, 7 months, 6 days.
5. Elva Charity Smeltzer, born October 19, 1896.
6. George Lowell Smeltzer, born March 9, 1899.

Fifth Generation

Dr. Warren Henry Smeltzer was married September 2, 1908 to Clara C. Anderson, born June 17, 1886. He graduated in 1912 with the D. D. S. degree from the Chicago College of Dental Surgery, and has been practicing dentistry in Chicago ever since. His office at present is located

at 2539 North Kedzie Blvd., and he resides at 2737 North Kimball Street, Chicago.

One son was born :

1. Warren Henry Smeltzer, Jr., born October 27, 1916.

Warren Henry Smeltzer, Jr., is a student of veterinary medicine at the Iowa State College, Ames, Iowa.

Fifth Generation

Carlton Culp Smeltzer was married January 11, 1919 to Anna E. Schroeder, born December 2, 1897. He is an insurance broker in Chicago, Illinois. He was for some years merchandise manager and in sales promotion for the Electric Appliance Co. of Chicago. During the World War he was overseas from February, 1918 to December 25, 1918, and served in aviation in 268 Aero Squadron attached with the English forces.

Fifth Generation

Elva Charity Smeltzer was married October 26, 1919 to Robert Black, son of Charles and Pearl (Sloane) Black. He is a carpenter and they live in Elkhart, Indiana.

Children :

1. Vaughn Dexter Black, born August 25, 1920.
2. Vera Marie Black, born May 29, 1922.
3. Charles Henry Black, born August 26, 1923.
4. Frances Annette Black, born November 29, 1924.
5. Mary Elizabeth Black, born December 8, 1925.
6. Clara Ruth Black, born September 3, 1929.
7. Phyllis Jean Black, born September 8, 1934.

Fifth Generation

George Lowell Smeltzer was married March 10, 1917 to Violet Lockwood. He is a machinist in Elkhart, Indiana.

Children :

1. Clifford Lowell Smeltzer, born October 30, 1917.
2. Harry Lamar Smeltzer, born April 6, 1919.

Fourth Generation

Samuel Smeltzer was married September 5, 1886 to Salome Burkey, born July 8, 1868, daughter of John and Sarah (Bixler) Burkey. They purchased a farm in St. Joseph County, Indiana, two miles west and one half mile south of Wakarusa, where they lived until they retired from farming. On April 16, 1898 Samuel Smeltzer was ordained to the office of deacon, in which capacity he served

faithfully many years the Mennonite Church and the Holdeman congregation.

Children:

1. Calvin B. Smeltzer, born May 18, 1888.
2. Laura Ellen Smeltzer, born December 17, 1889.
3. Clara Elnora Smeltzer, born November 8, 1891.
4. John Henry Smeltzer, born July 2, 1893.
5. George Valentine Smeltzer, born February 14, 1895.
6. Emma Sarah Smeltzer, born February 18, 1898; died April 2, 1929. Aged 31 years, 1 month, 14 days.
7. Elmer Lowell Smeltzer, born April 13, 1900.
8. Joseph Victor Smeltzer, born March 14, 1902.
9. Roscoe Milton Smeltzer, born September 23, 1904.
10. Arthur Raymond Smeltzer, born August 24, 1906.
11. Grace Naomi Smeltzer, born June 19, 1910.

Fifth Generation

Calvin B. Smeltzer was married January 20, 1912 to Elsie F. Nittero, who was born February 19, 1893, and died February 8, 1920. She was a daughter of Abraham and Malinda (Yoder) Nittero. They lived on a farm south of Elkhart, Indiana, and were members of the Mennonite Church.

Three sons:

1. Clyde O. Smeltzer, born April 6, 1914.
2. Loyal K. Smeltzer, born April 9, 1916.
3. Clayton Lamar Smeltzer, born November 11, 1918; died April 18, 1919.

Calvin B. Smeltzer was married July 3, 1923 to Myrtle May Grosh, born July 23, 1895, daughter of Oliver and Emma (Garber) Grosh.

Children:

1. Mabel L. Smeltzer, born April 6, 1924.
2. Lois E. Smeltzer, born August 28, 1926.
3. Charles W. Smeltzer, born January 22, 1929; died February 21, 1929.
4. Samuel O. Smeltzer, born December 17, 1930.
5. Walter E. Smeltzer, born July 7, 1933.
6. Carl L. Smeltzer, born January 6, 1935.

Sixth Generation

Clyde O. Smeltzer was married June 30, 1936 to Viola Frances Hahn, born November 16, 1917, daughter of Frank and Laura S. (Birk) Hahn, Jr.

Fifth Generation

Laura Ellen Smeltzer was married February 5, 1914 to Francis E. Freed, born January 5, 1893, son of Joseph and Savilla (Yoder) Freed. They are engaged in farming northeast of Nappanee, Indiana, and are members of the Mennonite Church. He has been a Sunday school superintendent in the Salem congregation.

Children:

1. Fayma Lucile Freed, born May 5, 1918; died May 3, 1924. Aged 5 years, 11 months, 28 days.
2. Francis Freed, Jr., born August 30, 1925.

Fifth Generation

Clara Elnora Smeltzer was married February 20, 1913 to Ray F. Yoder, born February 23, 1893, son of Eli and Elizabeth (Freed) Yoder. He is a minister in the Mennonite Church, Salem Congregation, near Wakarusa, Indiana, having been ordained February 20, 1913, and has frequently served as an evangelist in other states. On July 4, 1937 he was ordained a bishop. He has also been chairman of the executive committee of the Indiana-Michigan Mennonite Sunday School Conference. They live on the Eli Yoder farm two miles south and one and one-half miles east of Wakarusa.

Children:

1. Marie Angeline Yoder, born May 27, 1914.
2. Pauline Bernice Yoder, born February 13, 1916.
3. Robert Truman Yoder, born November 16, 1918.
4. Sanford Ray Yoder, born January 1, 1921.
5. John Mark Yoder, born January 23, 1923.
6. Clayton LaMar Yoder, born June 14, 1925.
7. Martha Leona Yoder, born April 19, 1927.
8. Lenore Ilene Yoder, born January 2, 1930.
9. Wayne Carlton Yoder, born July 15, 1932.

Marie Angeline Yoder is a nurse and received her training in hospitals in La Junta and Denver, Colorado.

Fifth Generation

John Henry Smeltzer was married July 22, 1920 to Ida Culp, born December 15, 1898, daughter of Ezra and Magdalena (Billman) Culp. They live on the Samuel Smeltzer farm two miles west and one half mile south of Wakarusa, Indiana, and are members of the Mennonite Church.

Children :

1. Maxine Evelyn Smeltzer, born August 16, 1921.
2. Primrose Fern Smeltzer, born October 19, 1923.
3. Verda Marie Smeltzer, born April 14, 1925.
4. Kenneth Quinn Smeltzer, born June 25, 1927.
5. Lester Glen Smeltzer, born December 19, 1928.
6. Thelma Joan Smeltzer, born February 1, 1933.

Fifth Generation

George V. Smeltzer was married March 22, 1921 to Mary Edna Grosh, daughter of Oliver and Emma (Garber) Grosh. She was born February 23, 1894, in Elkhart County, Indiana, and died November 8, 1932; aged 38 years, 8 months, 16 days.

Farmer. Elkhart, Indiana. Mennonite.

Four sons :

1. Leroy Smeltzer, born June 1, 1922; died June 1, 1922.
2. Albert Smeltzer, born July 3, 1927; died July 3, 1927.
3. Ray Edward Smeltzer, born March 13, 1930.
4. Mervin Jay Smeltzer, born November 1, 1932.

George V. Smeltzer was married the second time November 14, 1936 to Laura Shaum, born February 8, 1905, daughter of Leander and Catherine (Holdeman) Shaum.

Fifth Generation

Emma Sarah Smeltzer was married July 24, 1921 to Manford Freed, born July 23, 1900, son of Joseph and Sarah (Davidhizar) Freed. Before marriage she spent nine months in the Mennonite Mission at Altoona, Pa., and in the spring of 1922 she moved with her husband to Alanson, Michigan, near Petoskey, where he was a deacon in the Maple River Mennonite Church, and where they lived until her death in 1929.

Two daughters :

1. Evelyn Fay Freed, born August 25, 1922.
2. Clara Ellen Freed, born August 21, 1924.

Fifth Generation

Elmer Lowell Smeltzer was married June 1, 1922 to Osee Leora Heckaman, born July 20, 1902 in Kosciusko County, near Nappanee, Indiana, daughter of John and Agnes Heckaman.

Milk dealer and vice-president of the Suabedissen-Wittner Dairy, Inc. 1215 Woodlawn Blvd., South Bend, Indiana.

They have three sons:

1. Ronald Lamar Smeltzer, born June 25, 1923.
2. Max Eugene Smeltzer, born August 12, 1930.
3. Rex Larry Smeltzer, born July 15, 1932.

Fifth Generation

Joseph V. Smeltzer was married April 30, 1926 to Ruth Marie Shantz, born November 3, 1905 in Elkhart County, Indiana, daughter of Milton and Mary E. (Cox) Shantz.

Farmer. Wakarusa, Indiana, Mennonite.

One daughter was born:

1. Lillian Ruth Smeltzer, born March 3, 1930.

Fifth Generation

Roscoe M. Smeltzer was married January 5, 1929 to Ruth Anna Lauver, born September 27, 1909 at Dayton, Michigan, daughter of Lester and Elizabeth (Johnson) Lauver. He is an electrician, and they live at Highland, Indiana.

Children:

1. Dale Winfred Smeltzer, born August 18, 1929.
2. James Eugene Smeltzer, born November 16, 1931.
3. Wanda Lee Smeltzer, born February 27, 1936; died September 2, 1936.

Fifth Generation

Arthur R. Smeltzer was married October 6, 1928 to Goldia Belle Blocher, born December 6, 1907 near Wakarusa, Indiana, daughter of Martin and Margaret (Wenger) Blocher.

Children:

1. Robert Wayne Smeltzer, born February 18, 1930.
2. Shirley Ann Smeltzer, born March 11, 1935.

Fifth Generation

Grace Naomi Smeltzer was married June 1, 1933 to Ora M. Yoder, born December 17, 1906, son of Marcellus and Mary Ann (Berkey) Yoder. He graduated from Goshen College and is a public school teacher. They live at Shipshewana, Indiana, and are members of the Mennonite Church.

They have a daughter:

1. Janet Ellen Yoder, born November 20, 1935.

Fourth Generation

Levi Smeltzer was married August 1, 1880 to Emma Zook, born February 25, 1859, daughter of Ephriam and Susanna (Yoder) Zook. He was a butcher and farmer, and they lived in the vicinity of Wakarusa for a number of years. They also lived in Michigan for a time, and in 1910 moved to Elkhart, Indiana. They were members of the Methodist Church.

Children:

1. L. Walter Smeltzer, born April 2, 1881.
2. Addie Elizabeth Smeltzer, born June 17, 1884; died June 25, 1884.

Fifth Generation

L. Walter Smeltzer was married November 25, 1902 to Dora Light, daughter of Bluford and Amanda Light. He is an automatic telephone constructional engineer, and has been engaged in plant building and supervision. For the installation of automatic telephones, he enters a country or region, and educates a staff of assistants; they build a plant and bring it to a minimum maintainance basis; he then leaves and repeats the process elsewhere. He was apprenticed at the Automatic Telephone Company of Chicago, and leased to the Garry, Limited of London, which is the automatic company of Europe. He is now with the Antwerp Electric Company, the continental subsidiary of London. He has installed automatic telephone systems in many parts of the world, including the United States, Panama, Cuba, Argentina, China, Japan, India, England and nearly the whole of central Europe. His present headquarters are in Warsaw, Poland.

They had one daughter:

1. Genevieve Marie Smeltzer, born April 28, 1908; died May 29, 1933. Aged 25 years, 1 month, 1 day.

Sixth Generation

Genevieve Marie Smeltzer was married January 17, 1930 to Jerry J. Greenwood. They lived in Los Angeles, California where he was a contractor and builder.

Fourth Generation

Lovina Smeltzer was married June 8, 1884 to Tobias Johnson, born November 2, 1855, son of Andrew P. and

Caroline A. Johnson.* Tobias Johnson came to Indiana from Kansas where he was born, and after marriage they lived on a farm three miles west and one half north of Wakarusa. Later they moved to Harrison Township, Elkhart County, Indiana, four miles northeast of Wakarusa. They were Mennonites.

Children:

1. Ella Elizabeth Johnson, born November 20, 1885.
2. Henry Harrison Johnson, born May 29, 1889; died at the age of sixteen months.
3. Anna Elizabeth Johnson, born March 14, 1891.
4. Daniel Johnson, born June 20, 1893.
5. Saloma Elizabeth Johnson, born December 18, 1894.
6. Samuel W. Johnson, born September 26, 1897.
7. Warren E. Johnson, born November 28, 1899.
8. Elta Johnson, born January 30, 1905; died April 11, 1906. Aged 14 months, 11 days.

Fifth Generation

Ella E. Johnson was married April 4, 1908 to Dwight Duker, born February 4, 1885 in Jackson Township, Elkhart County, Indiana, son of Benjamin William and Salome (Miller) Duker. They live on a farm east of Goshen, Indiana, and are members of the Church of the Brethren, where he is known for his talent in singing.

Children:

1. Clyde Oliver Duker, born March 19, 1909.
2. Clara Viola Duker, born August 23, 1912.

Sixth Generation

Clyde Oliver Duker was married August 24, 1935 to Irene Poor, born August 10, 1912 at Celina, Ohio, daughter of Earl and Chloe (Andrews) Poor. She graduated from Miami University in 1934, and had been a librarian. He is an instructor of commercial subjects at the Concord High School in Dunlap, Indiana, having accepted this position in the spring of 1935. He had graduated from Manchester College in 1931.

Sixth Generation

Clara Viola Duker was married February 10, 1936 to William F. Nelson, son of John W. and Allie (Melter) Nel-

* Andrew P. Johnson was born April 22, 1818 in Jadwanin, Russia, and died February 20, 1897 in Kansas. Caroline A. Johnson was born February 27, 1882 in Caroldwalde, Russia.

son. They live in Chicago, Illinois, where he is a clerk in the office of the Pennsylvania R. R.

Fifth Generation

Anna E. Johnson was married September 20, 1910 to Floyd E. Housour, born March 10, 1888, son of Henry Martin and Sarah Minerva (Kibbler) Housour. They live on a farm south of Elkhart, Indiana.

Children:

1. Harley Monroe Housour, born July 10, 1911.
2. Charles Henry Housour, born June 30, 1913.
3. Paul Edward Housour, born March 4, 1916.
4. Joy Alma Housour, born June 18, 1918; died December 21, 1918.
5. Mary Ann Housour, born March 28, 1920.
6. Frederick Leroy Housour, born January 8, 1924.

Sixth Generation

Charles H. Housour was married November 25, 1934 to Bernice Sailor, daughter of Oscar Sailor. He operates a store in Goshen, Indiana.

Sixth Generation

Paul E. Housour was married October 11, 1936 to Fern Stauffer, born January 20, 1918, daughter of Floyd and Sadie (Troup) Stauffer. He is at present employed at the Elkhart Rubber Works.

Fifth Generation

Salome Elizabeth Johnson was married January 1, 1912 to Joseph Green, born January 5, 1893, son of James and Nora (Zook) Green. She is a member of the Methodist Church, and they live on Hively Avenue, east of Elkhart. Joseph Green is a plater at the Chicago Telephone Supply Co., Elkhart, Ind.

They have two sons:

1. Robert Ellsworth Green, born February 14, 1914.
2. Kenneth Harold Green, born February 1, 1917.

Fifth Generation

Samuel W. Johnson was married September 26, 1921 to Helen Baldwin.

Children:

1. Betty Ann Johnson, born July 8, 1922.
2. Donald Wayne Johnson, born July 21, 1926.

They separated and Samuel Johnson was married November 19, 1932 to Kathryn L. Gans, born September 10,

1910, daughter of John Adam and Bida Dell (Rodebaugh) Gans. They live in Elkhart, Indiana, where he is employed by the St. Joseph Ice Co.

To them was born:

1. Nancy Louise Johnson, born December 19, 1934.

Fifth Generation

Warren E. Johnson was married August 10, 1919 to Marie Brock of Elkhart, Indiana, born March 4, 1901 in Brown County, Indiana, daughter of Alfred and Lucetta (Taylor) Brock. He is employed at the Conn band instrument factory in Elkhart.

Children:

1. Shirley Johnson, born April 4, 1920.
2. Alfred Eugene Johnson, born March 17, 1929.

Fourth Generation

Anna Smeltzer was married October 31, 1880 to Jacob Lehman, son of Josiah and Hannah (Holderead) Lehman. He was born December 10, 1857, and died January 29, 1904. They lived on a farm one and one-half miles southwest of Wakarusa. Anna Smeltzer Lehman has been a member of the Mennonite Brethren in Christ Church.

Children:

1. Lloyd Lehman, born August 28, 1883.
2. Oscar Lehman, born November 30, 1887; died June 10, 1906. Aged 18 years, 6 months, 10 days.
3. Homer Lehman, born January 23, 1890.
4. Elmer Lehman, born August 6, 1892.
5. Grace Lehman, born December 3, 1898.
6. Norah Lehman, born January 5, 1891.

Anna Smeltzer Lehman was married the second time June 1, 1905 to Henry Leatherman, born December 8, 1861, son of Isaac and Rachel (Shaum) Leatherman. He died March 11, 1925.

Fifth Generation

Lloyd Lehman was married to Zola Truex. They live near Plymouth, Indiana.

Children:

1. Donald Lehman.
2. Gerald Lehman.

Fifth Generation

Homer Lehman was married October 20, 1911 to Grace Frederick, born January 11, 1894, daughter of Joseph and

Nora (Andrews) Frederick. They live on a farm northwest of Nappanee, Indiana.

Children:

1. Russell Howard Lehman, born April 23, 1912; died August 28, 1923.
2. Warren Devon Lehman, born June 2, 1913; died June 8, 1913.
3. Marion Jeanette Lehman, born March 16, 1921.
4. Frederick Dale Lehman, born July 18, 1929.
5. Rosemary Joan Lehman, born August 21, 1930.

Fifth Generation

Elmer E. Lehman was married June 5, 1917 to Lita M. Miller, born July 29, 1892, daughter of Benjamin E. Miller. He graduated from Goshen College with the B. A. degree in 1916, and was for some years a teacher. He taught three years at Wellman, Iowa, and later in New Mexico. He then became a book salesman for a Cleveland firm, and this led to real estate. He purchased many tracts of land, laid off lots, and built homes which were then sold. He finally entered the insurance business, and is at present district manager of the Equitable Life Insurance Society of the United States (N. Y.). They live in Columbus, Ohio, and are members of the Presbyterian Church.

They have a daughter:

1. Annette M. Lehman, born July 18, 1918.

Fifth Generation

Grace Lehman was married March 17, 1917 to Roy Summer, son of David and Annette (Clague) Summer. He was a meat-cutter, and later subscription agent for the Elkhart Truth published at Elkhart, Indiana. They reside in Wakarusa, Indiana, and are members of the Church of the Brethren. Roy Summer and Grace Lehman Summer have both served at different times as superintendents of the Sunday school in the Wakarusa Church.

Children:

1. Helen Louise Summer, born October 20, 1919.
2. Alice Marie Summer, born February 8, 1922.
3. Ruby Kathryn Summer, born February 6, 1925.

Fifth Generation

Norah Elizabeth Lehman was married January 11, 1921 to Ross Sawyer, born April 28, 1901, son of Edward and

Addie (Ferrier) Sawyer. He is a stock buyer and meat wholesaler, and they live in Wakarusa, Indiana.

Children:

1. Norma May Sawyer, born February 4, 1922.
2. Wayne Ross Sawyer, born March 8, 1926.

Fourth Generation

David Smeltzer was married July 11, 1886 to Mary Holdeman, daughter of John and Hettie (Eicher) Holdeman. She was born October 15, 1863, and died December 19, 1934. They lived on their farm one mile north of Wakarusa, Indiana, until 1918 when they moved to Wakarusa. They were members of the Mennonite Brethren in Christ Church.

Children:

1. Henry Edwin Smeltzer, born December 9, 1889; died February 2, 1894. Aged 4 years, 1 month, 23 days.
2. Clarence Ray Smeltzer, born November 25, 1891.
3. John Olen Smeltzer, born October 14, 1893.
4. Dora Elizabeth Smeltzer, born May 13, 1900; died January 21, 1901. Aged 8 months, 8 days.
5. Walter Eldon Smeltzer, born March 5, 1904; died December 17, 1934. Aged 30 years, 9 months, 12 days.

Fifth Generation

Clarence Ray Smeltzer was married February 11, 1915 to Minnie Catherine Wogoman, daughter of James and Eliza Ann (Yoder) Wogoman. She was born June 22, 1890 in Goshen, Indiana, and died July 24, 1926. They lived on the old Henry Smeltzer farm, later owned by David Smeltzer, located one mile north of Wakarusa, Indiana. He has served as a Sunday school superintendent at the Holdeman congregation of the Mennonite Church.

Children:

1. Roy Olen Smeltzer, born November 22, 1915; died December 17, 1934. Aged 19 years, 25 days.
2. Vernon Ray Smeltzer, born February 2, 1917; died February 2, 1917.
3. Ruth Ellen Smeltzer, born February 16, 1919.
4. Kenneth Lamar Smeltzer, born January 3, 1921; died January 29, 1921.
5. Viola Marie Smeltzer, born January 27, 1922.
6. Maynard Laverne Smeltzer, born November 23, 1924; died November 23, 1924.

Clarence Ray Smeltzer was married the second time on October 4, 1928 to Mary Yoder, daughter of Peter and Emma (Huber) Yoder.

Children:

1. Dale Eugene Smeltzer, born August 25, 1930.
2. James Owen Smeltzer, born March 17, 1932.
3. Ralph Jay Smeltzer, born August 2, 1933; died May 4, 1937.
4. Melba Faye Smeltzer, born October 31, 1936.

Fifth Generation

John Olen Smeltzer was married December 8, 1917 to Martha Ellen Yoder, born February 8, 1899, daughter of Cornelius and Anna (Weldy) Yoder.

Long distance truck driver. Wakarusa, Indiana. Mennonite.

Children:

1. Elma Fern Smeltzer, born September 14, 1918.
2. Curtis Orville Smeltzer, born March 20, 1920.
3. Anna Mary Smeltzer, born March 22, 1921.
4. Elizabeth Ellen Smeltzer, born January 8, 1923.
5. Edna June Smeltzer, born June 25, 1924.
6. Lowell Kieth Smeltzer, born September 23, 1925.
7. Lena Bernice Smeltzer, born April 22, 1927.
8. Treva Faye Smeltzer, born April 26, 1932.
9. Dorothy Louise Smeltzer, born June 28, 1933.

Fourth Generation

Aaron Smeltzer was married December 31, 1890 to Elizabeth Garber, born November 7, 1869, daughter of Abraham and Fanny (Martin) Garber. For a number of years he was a farmer, and was later many years employed by the Geo. Freese's Creamery Co. of Nappanee, Indiana. In youth he united with the Mennonite Church, and served many years as a devoted Sunday school teacher, ever interested in the welfare of the church and especially in the young people.

Children:

1. Wilma Luella Smeltzer, born March 8, 1892.
2. David Ray Smeltzer, born September 18, 1894; died October 9, 1898. Aged 4 years, 21 days.
3. Verda Irene Smeltzer, born July 20, 1900.
4. Paul Rollin Smeltzer, born March 5, 1902.

5. Maynard Marland Smeltzer, born July 16, 1905; died in infancy.

Fifth Generation

Wilma Luella Smeltzer was married April 1, 1911 to Leander Leonard Hershberger, born October 11, 1888 near Plevana, Indiana, son of Elias and Mary (Sproal) Hershberger. He is a writer of verse, member of Modern Bard Organization, associate editor of "Hoosier Poetry," and has published *Hoosier Rhymes* and *Highways to Happiness*. His verse has appeared in several anthologies. They live in Nappanee, Indiana, and are members of the Mennonite Church.

Children:

1. Clyde Lamar Hershberger, born July 6, 1912.
2. Lowell Devon Hershberger, born August 24, 1914.
3. Evelyn Mae Hershberger, born May 21, 1916; died April 2, 1924. Aged 7 years, 10 months, 11 days.
4. Gladys Lucille Hershberger, born October 10, 1918.
5. Verda Elizabeth Hershberger, born January 20, 1920.
6. Maxine Lois Hershberger, born May 5, 1924.

Sixth Generation

✓ Clyde LaMar Hershberger was married August 19, 1936 to Maxine Weldy, born June 17, 1916, daughter of Timothy and Ella (Brenneman) Weldy. They live in Nappanee, Indiana, and are members of the Mennonite Church.

Fifth Generation

Verda Irene Smeltzer was married November 27, 1919 to Gilgian A. Birkey, born October 22, 1897, near Fisher, Illinois, son of Andrew and Eliza (Studer) Birkey. He had been for a number of years a successful salesman, and is now operating a commercial chick hatchery at Bremen, Indiana. They are members of the Mennonite Church.

Children:

1. Betty J. Birkey, born March 5, 1921.
2. Glennis I. Birkey, born March 20, 1922.
3. Darlene Mae Birkey, born March 23, 1923.
4. Marilyn Jane Birkey, born July 23, 1926.
5. Robert Newell Birkey, born December 21, 1928.

Fifth Generation

Paul Rollin Smeltzer was married November 25, 1922 to Thelma Fisher, daughter of Charles and Mary (Meisner)

Fisher of Nappanee Indiana. She died March 3, 1933. He is a printer and lives in South Bend, Indiana.

Children:

1. Paul Jr. Smeltzer, born October 13, 1923.
2. Maxwell Smeltzer, died in infancy.
3. Ronald Harold Smeltzer, died in infancy.
4. Donald Gerald Smeltzer, died in infancy.
5. Phil Wade Smeltzer, born June 20, 1931.
6. Mary Lou Smeltzer, born March 3, 1933.

Fourth Generation

Salome Smeltzer was married February 15, 1890 to Archabald Locker, son of Hiram and Mary (Borders) Locker. He was born April 30, 1867, and died September 3, 1917. They lived on the Locker farm in St. Joseph County, Indiana, five and one-half miles northwest of Wakarusa.

Children:

1. Elsie E. Locker, born June 18, 1894.
2. Ellis A. Locker, born January 29, 1902.

Salome Smeltzer was married the second time on March 5, 1921 to Edward Gegax, a non-denominational minister. He is also a manufacturer of ladders and is known as the ladder man. He has manufactured ladders in Pomona, California, in Archibold, Ohio, in South Bend, Indiana, and is now operating a factory in Wakarusa, Indiana.

Fifth Generation

Elsie E. Locker was married June 29, 1912, at St. Joseph, Michigan, to Omer Bosworth, son of Omer and Ada (Peters) Bosworth. He operates a grocery store and meat market, and they live at 1321 W. 2nd. St., Pomona, California.

Children:

1. Lloyd O. Bosworth, born May 11, 1918.
2. Floyd O. Bosworth, born May 11, 1918.

Fifth Generation

Ellis A. Locker was married July 26, 1929 at Santa Ana, California, to Nellie Caldwell, daughter of Edward Elmer and Emma Jane (Kildoyle) Caldwell. He is a grocery clerk and they live at 505 Randolph Avenue, Pomona, California.

To them was born:

1. Thomas Edward Locker, born October 23, 1934.

Fourth Generation

Mary Ellen Smeltzer was married April 10, 1894 to John Mark Parcell, born February 13, 1870, son of John and Mary (Tintsman) Parcell. They lived on their farm in Locke Township, north of Nappanee, Indiana, R. R. 3, until 1936 when they moved to Wakarusa. She is a member of the Mennonite Brethren in Christ Church.

Children:

1. Grace Bernice Parcell, born August 8, 1894.
2. Lulu Belle Parcell, born March 27, 1898.
3. Russell Lowell Parcell, born September 27, 1903; died September 27, 1903.
4. Mary Elizabeth Parcell, born August 9, 1905.
5. Joseph Carl Parcell, born May 29, 1907.

Lulu Belle Parcell has been a saleslady since 1924 at the Ziesel Bros. Department Store in Elkhart, Indiana.

Fifth Generation

Grace Bernice Parcell was married October 12, 1932 to Earl G. Clark, born March 8, 1885 near Rockford, Illinois, son of Floyd and Emma (Parkerson) Clark. They live on a farm near New Paris, Indiana.

Fifth Generation

Mary Elizabeth Parcell was married September 18, 1934 to Walter Moran born February 8, 1907 in Chicago, Illinois, son of Patrick John and Mary Moran. He is a clerk and their address is 4512 Greenview North, Chicago, Illinois.

Children:

1. John P. Moran, born October 4, 1935.
2. Patrick J. Moran, born October 13, 1936.

Fifth Generation

Joseph Carl Parcell was married June 25, 1928 to Martha Mae Flicker, born December 2, 1908 in Elkhart, Indiana, daughter of Henry and Minnie Sarah (Spade) Flicker.

Children:

1. Carol Jean Parcell, born October 28, 1930; died February 16, 1931.
2. Vera Mae Parcell, born March 6, 1932.
3. Evelyn Louise Parcell, born June 21, 1934.
4. Jo Ann Parcell, born March 22, 1936.

Third Generation

Nancy Yoder was married June 21, 1849 in Holmes County, Ohio to Abraham Weldy, son of John and Anna (Kitch) Weldy, grandson of Abraham Weldy, a bishop in the Mennonite Church, and Elizabeth (Overholt) Weldy, and great-grandson of John Weldy, a native of Switzerland.*

Abraham Weldy was born in Tuscarawas County, Ohio, January 3, 1827. He received schooling only during the few winter weeks when outside work was impossible. During the first year after marriage he remained on his father's farm where he had spent his youth, but having a desire to own a farm of his own and hearing of greater opportunities in Indiana, he decided to go westward. He came to Elkhart County, Indiana, from Holmes County, Ohio, at the age of twenty-four years.

To realize his ambition he rigged up a covered wagon in which he placed his earthly belongings, and with three horses began the drive to the promised land in April, 1851. It was in the autumn of this same year that Jacob Freed and his wife, Margaret, the mother of Nancy (Yoder) Weldy, came. Besides his wife and one child Abraham Weldy was accompanied by his father, and by his wife's sister, Elizabeth Yoder, who in November of this same year became the wife of Henry Smeltzer. They progressed slowly, for many of the roads were new and farther west they encountered corduroy roads that were almost impassable. On their journey westward they passed through Wooster, Ashland, Bellevue, Maumee City, and Delta, all of Ohio, and Angola and Bristol in Indiana. After a wearisome journey of ten days they finally landed at Elkhart, very tired, but having greatly enjoyed a part of the long ride. From Elkhart they came to the Abraham Holdeman farm, five miles north of Wakarusa, arriving at that place on April 18th. The next morning, while the women observed washday, Abraham Weldy and his father traveled on foot to the farm of 138 acres which he purchased of Franklin and Julia Stevenson for \$872.00, and where he lived many years. At first sight the place did not look very

* Bishop Abraham Weldy was born in Westmoreland County, Pennsylvania, but moved to Ohio about 1812 and located in Tuscarawas County. His son, John Weldy was born in Westmoreland County, Pennsylvania, in 1798, and was about fourteen years of age when his parents came to Tuscarawas County. John Weldy later moved to Holmes County.

interesting, being almost wholly covered with timber; only a small lot had been cleared, and on it stood an old and almost dilapidated log cabin which had been deserted as a dwelling and given to a herd of swine. They did not, however, allow this to remove their ambition; the swine were classed as non-residents and driven out; the cabin was repaired as best they could and their meager outfit, which consisted of only a few pieces of furniture, was placed into it. Their table was made by putting planks on two chests, and a bed was made in a similar way.

Here they lived as happily as if they had had the finest mahogany furniture and the best china-ware. This was their home for five years, but during these five years preparations were being made for a new house. In 1856 this house was built and the log cabin again abandoned.

Wild animals were very numerous at this time: many a night was made hideous by howling wolves, and to see deer come out into the wheat field was no uncommon sight.

In the course of the first year Abraham Weldy cleared six acres for wheat, and built a small log barn. Through the following years he continued to clear for corn and potatoes, and had cleared thirty acres by the end of the first five years. His first crop of corn and potatoes were nearly all destroyed by the squirrels and coon. In November of the year 1856 he moved into his new house. During the next five years he cleared twelve acres more which he farmed with the thirty already cleared, and also prepared the timber for a new and larger barn. Most of the timber for the house and barn was sawed on shares by Asher Lockwood, who had a saw mill on his farm, which joined the Weldy farm on the south. The new barn was built in 1861; in this year the Civil War broke out, and many of the men who were at work on the roof of this barn dropped saw and hammer and fled to arms for the protection of the Union and the freedom of the slaves. This greatly hindered the work on the barn, but it was completed in time for the new crops.

Such is part of the record of the first ten years of Abraham and Nancy (Yoder) Weldy on the farm on which they prospered, and which is still known as the Weldy homestead. This farm, located in Locke Township two miles southwest of Wakarusa, comprises the northeast quarter of Section Three, and was purchased April 28, 1851. Locke

Township was at that time very sparsely settled, and Abraham Weldy later owned other tracts of land in the same township. He became a large landowner, owning at one time 816 acres. In 1887 he sold all but two tracts comprising 136 and 160 acres. In 1899 they moved to Wakarusa.

Abraham Weldy was one of the leaders in the organization of the Holdeman congregation of the Mennonite Church. He assisted in the construction of the first building, was one of the first trustees, and one of the earlier Sunday school superintendents. Being well known in the community, he was frequently called upon to clerk sales and to act as administrator of estates. He was also known as a liberal giver to religious and charitable causes.

Children:

1. Elizabeth Weldy, born May 26, 1850; died May 12, 1902. Aged 51 years, 11 months, 16 days.
2. Anna Weldy, born October 23, 1851; died December 9, 1928. Aged 77 years, 1 month, 16 days.
3. Margaret Weldy, born January 18, 1853; died October 8, 1890. Aged 37 years, 8 months, 20 days.
4. Sarah Weldy, born July 27, 1854.
5. Jacob Weldy, born January 14, 1857; died July 25, 1933. Aged 76 years, 6 months, 11 days.
6. John Weldy, born November 24, 1858.
7. Samuel Weldy, born February 16, 1861; died June 18, 1861. Aged 4 months, 2 days.
8. Henry Weldy, born April 23, 1862; died February 24, 1934. Aged 71 years, 10 months, 1 day.
9. Joseph Weldy, born June 7, 1864.
10. Infant daughter, born and died November 7, 1866.
11. Levi Weldy, born May 12, 1868.
12. Emma Weldy, born December 21, 1870.
13. Amos Weldy, born April 27, 1873.

The above were all born in Elkhart County, Indiana, with the exception of Elizabeth, who was born in Ohio.

Fourth Generation

Elizabeth Weldy was married February 4, 1872 to Peter Blosser, son of Rudolph and Barbara (Metzler) Blosser. He was born February 7, 1847 in Mahoning County, Ohio, and died October 14, 1914 at his home in Morgan County, Missouri; aged 67 years, 8 months, 7 days. Although born

in Ohio, Elizabeth (Weldy) Blosser grew to womanhood in Indiana. She had united with the Mennonite Church at about the age of eighteen years. Shortly after marriage she and her husband moved to Morgan County, Missouri, where she died and was buried in the Mt. Zion graveyard.

Children:

1. Levi Blosser, born January 18, 1873 in Morgan County, Missouri.
2. Samuel Blosser, born September 5, 1874.
3. Barbara Blosser, born February 26, 1877; died November 7, 1900. Aged 23 years, 8 months, 11 days.
4. Anna Blosser, born October 27, 1878.
5. Noah Blosser, born January 14, 1880; died July 21, 1881. Aged 1 year, 6 months, 7 days.
6. Emma Blosser, born March 14, 1882; died October 22, 1884. Aged 2 years, 6 months, 7 days.
7. Fidella Blosser, born August 5, 1883.
8. Henry Blosser, born October 6, 1885.
9. Elvina Blosser, born July 10, 1888.
10. John Robert Blosser, born October 16, 1890; died November 12, 1918. Aged 28 years, 26 days.
11. Joseph David Blosser, born April 5, 1893.

Levi Blosser has been a farm laborer, and was never married. In recent years he has been in Elkhart County, Indiana, and at present makes his home with his brothers.

Fidella Blosser does housework in Peoria, Illinois. She assisted in getting the Blosser family record.

Elvina Blosser does housework in Colorado Springs, Colorado.

Fifth Generation

Samuel W. Blosser was married January 11, 1910 to Maggie Lucretia Stichter, born August 8, 1889, daughter of Henry and Lucy (Kegg) Stichter. They lived on a farm two miles east of Wakarusa but in 1935 sold this and purchased a farm southeast of Goshen, Indiana, where they now live. They are members of the Mennonite Church.

Children:

1. Martha Ann Blosser, born June 10, 1911.
2. Roy Blosser, born May 7, 1913.
3. Mabel Beulah Blosser, born September 14, 1919.

Sixth Generation

Roy Blosser was married December 25, 1936 to Lillian Eigsti, born in Morton, Illinois. They live in Peoria, Illinois.

Fifth Generation

Henry Blosser was married January 2, 1911 to Celia Bixler, daughter of Michael and Kate (Conklin) Bixler.

Laborer. Wakarusa, Indiana. Mennonite.

Children:

1. Genevieve Jaunieta Blosser, born January 31, 1912.
2. Beatrice Pauline Blosser, born January 13, 1914; died January 13, 1914.
3. Russell Laverne Blosser, born May 19, 1915.
4. Virgil Burdett Blosser, born March 3, 1918.
5. Herbert Michael Blosser, born October 23, 1919; died December 6, 1922. Aged 3 years, 1 month, 13 days.
6. Lowell Dwight Blosser, born December 25, 1921.
7. Vivian Celia Blosser, born December 18, 1924.
8. Wendell Wilmer Blosser, born May 6, 1933.

Sixth Generation

Genevieve Jaunieta Blosser was married June 4, 1932 to Howard A. Sowles, born February 9, 1907, son of Shelva H. and Erma (Hopkins) Sowles. They live on a farm in Edon, Ohio.

Sixth Generation

Russel Lavern Blosser was married November 28, 1935 to Lorene Stackhouse, daughter of Edward Stackhouse.

Farmer. Bremen, Indiana.

Fifth Generation

John Robert Blosser was married January 1, 1914 to Anna Daniels, born February 6, 1893, daughter of Isaac and Grace Daniels. They lived on a farm until his death in 1918. The family now lives in Jefferson City, Missouri, 502 Clark Avenue. Mennonite and Baptist.

Children:

1. Robert Daniels Blosser, born November 21, 1914.
2. Grace Elizabeth Blosser, born February 23, 1917.

Fifth Generation

Joseph David Blosser was married December 24, 1922 to Katie Ethel Hostetler, born February 4, 1896, daughter of Pius and Ellie Hostetler.

Farmer. Shelbyville, Illinois. Amish Mennonite.

Children:

1. Dorothy Ellen Blosser, born March 3, 1924.
2. John David Blosser, born October 2, 1927.
3. Paul Jacob Blosser, born July 3, 1935.

Fourth Generation

Anna Weldy was married December 8, 1872 to Peter S. Hartman, son of Valentine and Nancy (Smeltzer) Hartman. He was born May 9, 1847 in Ashland County, Ohio, and died March 25, 1914, aged 66 years, 10 months, 16 days. At the age of one year he came with his parents to Elkhart County, where he grew to manhood. After marriage they lived on their farm in Locke Township, three and one-half miles southwest of Wakarusa, and in their latter years lived in Nappanee, but moved to Wakarusa in 1903. They were both devoted members of the Mennonite Church.

Children, born in Elkhart County, Indiana:

1. Aaron W. Hartman, born September 12, 1873.
2. William Henry Hartman, born March 12, 1875.
3. Martha Ann Hartman, born November 26, 1876.
4. Amos Hartman, born October 15, 1878.
5. Amanda Hartman, born October 25, 1881.
6. John Melvin Hartman, born July 12, 1884.
7. Emma Engeline Hartman, born July 17, 1885.
8. Mary Alice Hartman, born December 30, 1886.
9. Abraham Hartman, born July 9, 1890.
10. Rosa Arvilla Hartman, born November 18, 1892; died May 4, 1896. Aged 3 years, 5 months, 16 days.
11. Cora Naomi Hartman, born October 30, 1895.

Fifth Generation

Aaron W. Hartman was married December 27, 1899 by Rev. David Burkholder at Nappanee, Indiana to Fannie Y. Yoder, born January 10, 1876 in Lagrange County, Indiana, daughter of Yost and Martha (Stahly) Yoder. They live east of Wakarusa, Indiana, and are members of the Mennonite Church.

Children:

1. Elmer Yost Hartman, born May 10, 1901 near Wakarusa, Indiana.
2. Anna Martha Hartman, born August 18, 1902, near Wakarusa, Indiana; died February 9, 1908 at Newaygo, Michigan. Aged 5 years, 5 months, 21 days.
3. Levi Vernon Hartman, born July 3, 1904 near Wakarusa, Indiana.
4. Glenn Raymond Hartman, born April 27, 1906 near Newaygo, Michigan.

5. William Lamar Hartman, born June 25, 1908, near Newaygo, Michigan.
6. Jonas Abraham Hartman, born November 7, 1909, near Newaygo, Michigan.
7. Arthur Paul Hartman, born July 7, 1911 near Newaygo, Michigan.
8. Bertha Malalia Hartman, born August 28, 1912 near Newaygo, Michigan.

Sixth Generation

Elmer Hartman was married December 12, 1926 to Alice Hartzler, born August 9, 1905, daughter of Simon and Magdalene (Beutler) Hartzler. They are engaged in farming, living formerly north of Wakarusa, but now near Pierceton, Indiana. They are members of the Mennonite Church.

Children:

1. Eunice Mabel Hartman, born September 10, 1927.
2. John Elmer Hartman, born January 23, 1929.
3. Lucinda Ruth Hartman, born November 21, 1932.
4. Peter Eugene Hartman, born November 8, 1934.

Sixth Generation

Levi Vernon Hartman was married November 25, 1926 to Thelma High, daughter of Barton and Emma (Andrews) High.

To them was born:

1. Nola Marie Hartman, born June 26, 1928.

Sixth Generation

Glenn Raymond Hartman was married April 15, 1933 to Doris V. Williams, born August 6, 1911.

Children:

1. David Raymond Hartman, born January 27, 1934 near Wakarusa, Indiana.
2. Waneta Ruth Hartman, born June 8, 1935 near Fort Wayne, Indiana.

Sixth Generation

William Lamar Hartman was married June 8, 1934 to Lelabell Snodgrass, born August 22, 1913 in Pauline County, Ohio, daughter of James and Gertrude (Emeran) Snodgrass.

Sixth Generation

Jonas Abraham Hartman was married September 9,

1932 to Hazel E. Baker, born October 2, 1913, daughter of James and Amanda Baker of Lowpoint, Illinois.

Sixth Generation

Arthur Paul Hartman was married August 9, 1930 to Mary Opal Wagner, born February 2, 1914, daughter of George and Amandell (Lantz) Wagner, in Milford, Indiana.

To them was born:

1. Cottie Lewis Hartman, born February 26, 1931.

Fifth Generation

William Henry Hartman was married February 26, 1898 to Mary Ann Everest, born November 30, 1875, daughter of William and Annetta (Kreider) Everest. They live on a farm north of Wakarusa, Indiana, and are members of the Mennonite Church.

Children:

1. Walter Wellington Hartman, born January 23, 1899; died June 8, 1899.
2. Raymond Titus Hartman, born September 22, 1902.
3. Ruth Elizabeth Hartman, born June 12, 1905.
4. Harold William Hartman, born July 9, 1908.
5. Elsie Mary Hartman, born July 28, 1909.
6. Esther Naomi Hartman, born September 13, 1912.
7. Earl Willis Hartman, born June 25, 1914.

Sixth Generation

Raymond Titus Hartman was married September 22, 1924 to Elva Martin, born September 22, 1903, daughter of Abram and Mary (Risser) Martin.

Carpenter. Goshen, Indiana, R. R. 3. Mennonite.

Children:

1. Walter Irvin Hartman, born September 29, 1926.
2. Lois Mary Hartman, born September 12, 1931.

Sixth Generation

Ruth Elizabeth Hartman was married June 12, 1926 to Theodore Dale Miller, born July 30, 1903, son of Alpha and Ellen (Secor) Miller.

Laborer. Wakarusa, Indiana, R. R. 1. Mennonite.

Children:

1. Doris Maxine Miller, born July 22, 1927.
2. Beatrice Fern Miller, born October 30, 1931.

Sixth Generation

Harold William Hartman was married November 26,

1931 to Ruth Matilda Leinbach, born November 17, 1903, daughter of Daniel and Lydia (Lehman) Leinbach.

Bakery truck driver. Wakarusa, Indiana, R. R. 1. Mennonite.

Children:

1. Dean DeVere Hartman, born May 12, 1933.
2. Keith LeVon Hartman, born November 21, 1934.

Sixth Generation

Elsie Mary Hartman was married June 25, 1933 to Lloyd Jacob Stauffer, born March 12, 1910, son of Ezra and Lydia (Reed) Stauffer.

Farmer. Goshen, Indiana, R. R. Mennonite.

Sixth Generation

Esther Naomi Hartman was married June 13, 1934 to Clair Maynard Yoder, born January 4, 1911, son of John and Nellie (Lopp) Yoder.

Thresher. Wakarusa, Indiana, R. R. 1. Mennonite.

Sixth Generation

Earl Willis Hartman was married October 1, 1936 to Margaret Irene Shriner, born February 11, 1914 in Kent County, Michigan, daughter of Frank and Katie (Miller) Shriner.

Farmer. Wakarusa, Indiana. Mennonite.

Fourth Generation

Martha Ann Hartman was married February 1, 1901 to Cornelius O. Ehret, born February 6, 1863, son of Jacob and Mary (Morris) Ehret. He is a farmer north of Wakarusa, Indiana. She was a member of the Methodist Church.

Children:

1. Louis Albert Ehret, born January 2, 1903.
2. Otto Frederick Ehret, born June 14, 1904.
3. William Leonard Ehret, born November 9, 1906.
4. Welda Romaine Ehret, born December 10, 1914.

Fifth Generation

Louis A. Ehret was married June 23, 1934 to Doris P. Mast, born February 19, 1910, daughter of William H. and Pearl (Yoder) Mast. He is a cashier in the First National Bank of Elkhart, Indiana. They live in Elkhart.

Children:

1. Larry Dean Ehret, born May 26, 1935.
2. Mary Jo Ehret, born August 19, 1936.

Fifth Generation

Otto F. Ehret was married June 29, 1928 to Velma L. Truex, born July 19, 1906, daughter of Oscar and Pearl (Warner) Truex.

Farmer. Elkhart, Indiana, R. R. 4.

Children:

1. Anna Irene Ehret, born April 3, 1933.
2. Lois Maxine Ehret, born December 19, 1934.
3. Jean Alice Ehret, born September 2, 1936.

Fifth Generation

William Leonard Ehret was married December 17, 1929 to Roberta Ritter, born March 1, 1905, daughter of Alfred and Chloe (Westlake) Ritter. He is employed by the Elkhart Packing Co. They live in Elkhart, Indiana.

To them was born:

1. Richard Theodore Ehret, born December 17, 1929.

Fifth Generation

Welda R. Ehret was married June 6, 1936 to Arneal Squibb, born June 15, 1910, son of Delta and Hattie (Planck) Squibb of Elkhart, Indiana. They live in Elkhart, Indiana.

Fifth Generation

Amos Hartman was married September 7, 1901 to Susannah Philena Everest, daughter of William and Annetta (Kreider) Everest. She was born January 11, 1874, and died December 31, 1908; aged 34 years, 11 months, 20 days. They lived in the Weldy homestead, but Amos Hartman later operated the Peter Hartman farm three and one-half miles southwest of Wakarusa, Indiana. They were Mennonites.

Children:

1. Bertha Elnora Hartman, born November 13, 1902.
2. Willis Albert Hartman, born December 29, 1904.
3. Clarence Ray Hartman, born April 17, 1906.

Amos Hartman was married the second time January 31, 1911 to Susan Lehman, born July 19, 1875, daughter of Peter Y. and Lydia Ann (Good) Lehman.

Children:

1. Dorothy Hartman, born December 30, 1911.
2. Viola Hartman, born March 28, 1913.
3. Clifford A. Hartman, born May 22, 1914.
4. Alphaeus D. Hartman, born January 29, 1919.

5. Truman S. Hartman, born May 6, 1919.
6. Gerald L. Hartman, born October 15, 1920.

Sixth Generation

Bertha Elnora Hartman was married June 3, 1933 to Manford Freed, born July 23, 1900, son of Joseph and Sarah (Davidhizar) Freed. He served for a time as deacon of the Mennonite Church at Brutus, Michigan, and now resides at Elkhart, Indiana.

They have a son:

1. Everett Ray Freed, born December 24, 1936.

Sixth Generation

Willis Albert Hartman was married October 27, 1928 to Effie Loucks, born October 8, 1909, daughter of Jacob and Mary (Wenger) Loucks. Wakarusa, Indiana. Mennonite.

To them was born:

1. Arline Fay Hartman, born December 13, 1933.

Sixth Generation

Clarence Ray Hartman was married February 2, 1928 to Estella Leatherman, born February 2, 1908, daughter of Levi and Anna (Herr) Leatherman.

Farmer. Wakarusa, Indiana. Mennonite.

Children:

1. Robert Eugene Hartman, born July 5, 1929.
2. Marjorie Ellen Hartman, born November 18, 1933.
3. James Edward Hartman, born May 11, 1936.

Sixth Generation

Viola Hartman was married January 28, 1934 to Oscar A. Hostetler, born May 13, 1909, in Lagrange County, Indiana, son of Amos and Ida (Yoder) Hostetler.

Farmer. Middlebury, Indiana. Mennonite.

Fifth Generation

Amanda Hartman was married March 10, 1906 to Moses Yoder, born June 19, 1880, son of Stephen and Mary Ann (Hostetler) Yoder. They are manufacturers of potato chips at Wakarusa, Indiana, and are members of the Mennonite Church.

Children:

1. Bertha Naomi Yoder, born June 1, 1907.
2. Raymond Abraham Yoder, born March 9, 1909.
3. Elmer H. Yoder, born January 4, 1912; died April 12, 1915. Aged 3 years, 3 months, 8 days.
4. Lloyd Kenneth Yoder, born January 20, 1914.

5. Melvin Jay Yoder, born February 26, 1916.
6. Victor Olen Yoder, born July 2, 1918.

Bertha N. Yoder is employed in the Wakarusa Tribune printing office.

Sixth Generation

Raymond Abraham Yoder was married February 26, 1933 to Veryl Hostetler, born January 30, 1913, daughter of Walter and Ethel May (Stewart) Hostetler. He is an artist and a teacher, was located in Sevierville, Tennessee, where he was assistant principal in a school under the control of the Methodist Home Mission Board. At present he is art instructor in the Park High School of Knoxville, Tennessee.

To them was born:

1. Eddie Leon Yoder, born April 28, 1934.

Fifth Generation

John Melvin Hartman was married December 25, 1907 to Lillie Kilmer, daughter of John and Alice (Salsbury) Kilmer. He is a graduate of the Moody Bible Institute (1919) and has been Pastor of the First Christian Church at Wakarusa, Indiana. He has also had pastorates as follows: four years at Stringtown Church, Kimmel, Indiana; ten years at the Broadway Church, Cromwell, Indiana; four years at the North Webster Church, North Webster, Indiana, and eight years at the Millwood Church, Etna Green, Indiana. These were half time churches, several having been served at one time. In September, 1933 he began his pastorate at the Christian Church and continued until September 1936, when he accepted the pastorate of the Servie Church near North Manchester and the Majenica Church near Huntington. They at present live at Huntington, Indiana.

Children:

1. Owen Kilmer Hartman, born September 19, 1908; died September 1, 1920. Aged 11 years, 11 months, 12 days.
2. Luther Lemuel Hartman, born May 10, 1913.
3. Delbert Elias Hartman, born September 9, 1924.

John Hartman was married the second time to Myrtle Freed Bauers, daughter of Jairus and Anna (Freed) Freed.

Sixth Generation

Luther Lemuel Hartman was married January 29, 1933 to Kathryn Metzler, born October 16, 1913 at Nappanee, In-

diana, daughter of Ralph and Inez A. (Smucker) Metzler. He is an undertaker and a graduate of the Askin Embalming School of Indianapolis, Indiana, and is at present located at Niles, Michigan.

Fifth Generation

Mary Alice Hartman was married December 10, 1910 to Elmer H. Christophel, born September 5, 1888 in Elkhart County, Indiana, son of Bishop Jacob W. and Anna (Hoover) Christophel. They are farming the Jacob Christophel farm east and south of Wakarusa, Indiana.

They are Mennonites and their address is Goshen, Indiana, R. R. 3.

Children:

1. Frances Lucile Christophel, born November 8, 1911.
2. Warren H. Christophel, born January 31, 1917.

Sixth Generation

Frances Lucile Christophel was married April 4, 1935 to Earl R. Stauffer, born November 2, 1905, son of Ezra and Lydia (Reed) Stauffer.

Painter. Goshen, Indiana. Mennonite.

Fifth Generation

Abram Hartman was married January 1, 1916 to Ada Mae Hoover, born May 27, 1890, daughter of Noah S. and Sarah A. (Kreider) Hoover.

Farmer. Goshen, Indiana, R. R. 3. Mennonite.

Children:

1. Vesta Marie Hartman, born April 4, 1917.
2. Lowell H. Hartman, born August 13, 1918.
3. Lester William Hartman, born April 8, 1920.
4. Ira LaMar Hartman, born October 12, 1921.
5. Paul Raymond Hartman, born July 29, 1923.
6. Doris Mae Hartman, born December 11, 1930.

Fifth Generation

Cora Naomi Hartman was married September 9, 1915 to Charles Edward Lechlitner, born September 12, 1894, and was the son of Samuel and Catherine (Harter) Lechlitner. They are engaged in farming south of Elkhart, Indiana, R. R. 4, and are members of the Mennonite Church.

Children:

1. Virgil Lamar Lechlitner, born May 22, 1916.
2. Myrtle Marie Lechlitner, born January 27, 1919.
3. Viola May Lechlitner, born March 7, 1921.

4. Anna Berneice Lechlitner, born July 11, 1922.
5. Oscar Jay Lechlitner, born November 13, 1924; died May 14, 1929. Aged 4 years, 6 months, 1 day.
6. Flora Jane Lechlitner, born July 13, 1930.
7. Carl Devon Lechlitner, born October 24, 1932.

Fourth Generation

Margaret Weldy was married August 23, 1874 to Henry Clay, son of Benjamin and Elizabeth (Searer) Clay. He was born February 9, 1843, and died October 5, 1890 at the age of 47 years, 7 months, 26 days. He was a farmer and owned considerable land in Locke Township, Elkhart County, Indiana. They lived on their farm three miles south and one half mile west of Wakarusa.

Three days after the death of Henry Clay, Margaret (Weldy) Clay passed away. Her death occurred on the day of his burial. They were baptized and received into Church membership (Mennonite) while lying on their sick beds, in opposite rooms, four days before Henry Clay passed away.

The following children were born to Henry and Margaret (Weldy) Clay:

1. Cassius Clay, born June 29, 1875; died in infancy.
2. Martha Jane Clay, born May 19, 1877.
3. Nancy Ellen Clay, born June 28, 1878.
4. Eva Samantha Clay, born March 12, 1880; died March 19, 1903. Aged 23 years, 7 days.
5. Clara Alice Clay, born August 12, 1881; died August 7, 1933. Aged 51 years, 11 months, 25 days.
6. Orlando B. Clay, born January 3, 1884; died in infancy.
7. Emma Elona Clay, born December 19, 1884; died June 23, 1890. Aged 5 years, 6 months, 5 days.
8. Rhoda Arvila Clay, born June 12, 1886.
9. Dora Viola Clay, born April 15, 1888.

Fifth Generation

Martha Jane Clay was married May 8, 1900 to John C. Rummel, born June 14, 1872, near Nappanee, Indiana, son of Isaiah and Mariah (Strycker) Rummel. (Isaiah Rummel, who was born in Mahoning County, Ohio, had come to Elkhart County in the spring of 1866 and settled in Union Township.)

John C. and Martha Jane (Clay) Rummel lived on a farm near Wakarusa, where he was in the implement and

vehicle business. In November, 1908, he sold his business and they moved to New Mexico, near Las Vegas, where they purchased a farm, and where on April 25, 1909, Martha J. Clay Rummel died in the Las Vegas Hospital of blood infection. Her remains were brought back to Wakarusa, Indiana, for the funeral and she was buried in the Union Center Cemetery northeast of Nappanee, Indiana. John C. Rummel then left his daughters with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John C. Rummel, and with his son, Washington A., returned to his farm in New Mexico. After remaining there two years, the farm was rented, and father and son came back to Indiana to their farm near North Liberty, Indiana. The daughters were gathered together again (all excepting Golda Ann, who continued to make her home with her aunt, Nancy Clay Stahley), and John C. Rummel and family engaged in farming and business until December 1918, at which time they moved to South Bend. He has since been engaged in the Heating, Wind Mill, Lightning Rod, and Insurance business at 1124 South Main St., South Bend, Indiana.

The children of John C. and Martha J. (Clay) Rummel are:

1. Washington Arthur Rummel, born February 22, 1901.
2. Pearl Ada Rummel, born July 17, 1902.
3. Hazel Edna Rummel, born February 8, 1904.
4. Blanche Annetta Rummel, born January 11, 1906.
5. Florence Inez Rummel, born July 6, 1907.
6. Golda Ann Rummel, born March 17, 1909.

The above were all born near Wakarusa, Indiana, excepting Golda Ann, who was born near Las Vegas, New Mexico.

Sixth Generation

Washington Arthur Rummel was married November 21, 1926 to Viola M. Pofahl, born September 6, 1905, at Kenosha, Wisconsin, daughter of Dr. Fred and Agnes (Golliny) Pofahl of South Bend, Indiana.

They live in Mishawaka, Indiana, and are in the Heating business in South Bend.

Children:

1. Arthur Lee Rummel, born April 22, 1928.
2. Weir Allen Rummel, born December 26, 1929.

3. Margaret Alice Rummel, born March 6, 1931; died September 22, 1931.
4. Joan Eva Rummel, born June 14, 1934.

Sixth Generation

Dr. Blanche Annetta Rummel attended the Ball Teachers' College at Muncie, Indiana, one year, and later graduated from the Northern Illinois College of Optometry, Chicago, Illinois. She is an optometrist, and at present located at Bloomington, Illinois.

Sixth Generation

Florence Inez Rummel was married June 22, 1927 to Orvin T. Meller, born August 2, 1904 at Wauseon, in Fulton County, Ohio, son of Ora E. and Carrie (Richardson) Meller.

Painter, paper hanger, interior decorator. Chicago, Illinois.

They have a daughter:

1. Phyllis Arlene Meller, born October 21, 1933.

Sixth Generation

Golda Ann Rummel was married June 28, 1931 in South Bend, Indiana, to Carl Arthur Masuth, born August 8, 1906, in Elkhart, Indiana, son of Joseph and Carrie (Rick) Masuth.

Factory worker, Elkhart, Indiana.

They have a son:

1. Devon Donald Masuth, born December 26, 1930.

Fifth Generation

Nancy Ellen Clay was married January 23, 1901 to Daniel Ira Stahly, born July 6, 1875, son of Simon and Elizabeth (Miller) Stahley. They live on a farm near Nappanee, Indiana, and are members of the First Mennonite Church of Nappanee. There are no children but they reared Golda Ann Rummel.

Fifth Generation

Eva Samantha Clay was married January 8, 1899 to George J. Horein, born September 7, 1877, son of Jacob and Kate (Schlarb) Horein.

To them was born:

1. Rhoda Horein, born January 17, 1903; died August 22, 1903.

Eva (Clay) Horein died March 19, 1903 and George Horein later married Sarah Jane Weldy.

Fifth Generation

Clara Alice Clay was married December 24, 1902 to Lewis O. Parcell, born March 20, 1881, son of Richard and Elizabeth (Kauffman) Parcell. She lived at the place of her birth, three miles south of Wakarusa, until she was nine years old at which time both of her parents died; she was then taken to the home of her uncle, Joseph Weldy, where she made her home until she married. Lewis and Clara Clay Parcell lived on a farm after their marriage until 1916 and then moved to Topeka, Indiana, where they lived four years; they then moved to Goshen, Indiana, 105 W. Plymouth Ave. They were members of the First Congregational Church of Goshen.

They had one child:

1. Mabel Bernetha Parcell, born February 20, 1906. She is single and lives in Goshen, Indiana.

Fifth Generation

Rhoda Arvila Clay was married October 21, 1905 to Harvey C. McGowen, born April 29, 1884, son of Charles S. and Catharine E. (Parcell) McGowen. They live on the McGowen homestead five miles northwest of Nappanee, Indiana. They are members of the Christian Church.

Children:

1. Gerald Glenn McGowen, born July 16, 1906.
2. Beulah Mae McGowen, born September 22, 1908; died September 24, 1930. Aged 22 years, 2 days.
3. Viola Elizabeth McGowen, born December 2, 1910.
4. Mildred Ellen McGowen, born September 30, 1913; died January 31, 1914.
5. Thelma Marie McGowen, born March 10, 1923.
6. Robert Eugene McGowen, born January 24, 1925.

Sixth Generation

Viola Elizabeth McGowen was married September 24, 1931 to Edward Leroy Scherer, son of Edward and Emma (Regnis) Scherer. They live at Warsaw, Indiana, where he is proprietor of a radio shop, and salesman of radios and electrical supplies. They had both been students at Indiana University.

They have two sons:

1. Edward Allen Scherer, born October 29, 1932.
2. Lewis Harvey Scherer, born April 12, 1934.

Fifth Generation

Dora Viola Clay was married June 3, 1908 to Emery Elsworth Rummel, born August 14, 1879, son of Isaiah and Maria (Strycker) Rummel. They live on a farm northeast of Nappanee, Indiana, and are members of the Christian Church.

Children:

1. Agnes Inez Rummel, born December 6, 1908.
2. Frances Anetta Rummel, born December 23, 1910.
3. Maxine Ada Rummel, born September 19, 1912.
4. Ralph Isaiah Rummel, born October 8, 1914.
5. Bernice Maria Rummel, born February 8, 1918.
6. Violet Bell Rummel, born May 23, 1920; died February 17, 1930. Aged 9 years, 8 months, 25 days.
7. Everett Jay Rummel, born June 24, 1923.
8. Paul Ray Rummel, born October 28, 1930.

Sixth Generation

Agnes Inez Rummel was married March 8, 1930 to Louis Loscmondy, born July 4, 1909. They live in South Bend, Indiana, where he is employed by the Studebaker Corporation.

Children:

1. LaRue Loscmondy, born July 17, 1930.
2. Nancy Sue Loscmondy, born July 28, 1934.

Fourth Generation

Sarah Weldy was married October 8, 1874 to Valentine S. Hartman, born April 5, 1850 in Elkhart County, Indiana, son of Valentine and Nancy (Smeltzer) Hartman. He was a merchant. He had been employed by the firm of Hartman Bros. at Nappanee, Indiana, and later was proprietor of a grocery store at Wakarusa. He died May 14, 1923, aged 73 years, 1 month, 9 days. They were members of the Mennonite Brethren in Christ Church.

Children:

1. Clara A. Hartman, born October 19, 1875.
2. Dora Jane Hartman, born July 3, 1877; died August 20, 1905, near Houghton, South Dakota. Aged 28 years, 1 month, 17 days.
3. Leander Hartman, born June 5, 1879.
4. Harvey Hartman, born September 3, 1881.
5. Sylvester Hartman, born November 14, 1883; died May

12, 1935 in St. Louis, Missouri. Aged 51 years, 5 months, 28 days.

6. Irving Hartman, born August 9, 1886.

7. Phebe Ann Hartman, born September 20, 1891; died February 2, 1910. Aged 18 years, 4 months, 12 days.

The above were all born in Elkhart County, Indiana, except Phebe, who was born in St. Joseph County, Indiana.

Fifth Generation

Clara A. Hartman was married January 30, 1902 to Aaron Madlem, born April 22, 1865, son of Isaac and Elizabeth (Fink) Madlem. He had been for twenty-four years car repairman for the N. Y. C. Railroad. They live in Elkhart, Indiana, 624 Wolf Avenue. No descendants.

Fifth Generation

Dora Jane Hartman was married October 18, 1900 to Allen Madlem, born June 26, 1874, son of Isaac and Elizabeth (Fink) Madlem. He had been a farmer near Wakarusa, Indiana, and Houghton, South Dakota, and was also employed by the Osceola Creamery Co. He later worked in the car shops for street car companies, and has lived in Elgin, Illinois, and in Michigan City, Indiana. His present address is Elkhart, Indiana.

Children:

1. Vera Elizabeth Madlem, born February 24, 1901.
2. Orville Ray Madlem, born October 11, 1903 near Houghton, South Dakota.

Sixth Generation

Vera Elizabeth Madlem was married September 17, 1923 to Floyd Holdeman, born September 1, 1897, son of Isaiah and Minnie (Robinson) Holdeman.

One son was born:

1. Bruce Holdeman, born August 18, 1924.

They separated in June, 1928, and Vera E. Madlem was married the second time October 24, 1931 to Alson Thompson.

Sixth Generation

Orville Madlem was married October 24, 1929 to Mildred Hackman, born November 11, 1904, daughter of Edward and Maud (Fetterly) Hackman. They live in Elkhart, Indiana, and are employed by the Miles Medical Laboratories.

They have a daughter:

1. Virginia Ann Madlem, born December 3, 1930.

Fifth Generation

Leander Hartman was married November 20, 1907 to Myrtle Anna Shelton, born July 31, 1887 at Luddin, North Dakota, daughter of William and Effie (Goodrich) Shelton. At the age of seventeen Leander Hartman went to Illinois, and spent the next six years in the vicinity of Sterling. He then went on a round trip ticket to visit his sister Clara in South Dakota, and remained there until March 21, 1917, when he removed to Canada. He was engaged in farming for ten years at Leipzig, Saskatchewan, Canada. His present address is Saskatoon, Saskatchewan.

Children:

1. Phoebe Elizabeth Jane Hartman, born January 27, 1909 at Houghton, South Dakota.
2. Harold Leroy Hartman, born August 23, 1911 at Hecla, South Dakota.

Sixth Generation

Elizabeth Hartman was married March 13, 1931 to William Cecil Boyle, born December 20, 1896 at Grand Valley, Ontario, Canada, son of David and Ida (Blair) Boyle. They are engaged in farming near Tregarva, Saskatchewan, Canada, and are affiliated with the United Church of Canada.

A son was born:

1. Harold Ray Boyle, born January 12, 1932 at Regina, Saskatchewan.

Fifth Generation

Harvey Hartman was married February 14, 1904 to Georgiana Seese, daughter of Joseph and Esther (Kline) Seese. She was born April 9, 1881, and died April 28, 1917 at the age of 36 years and 19 days. They lived on a farm northwest of Wakarusa, Indiana.

Children:

1. Alberta Hartman, born December 15, 1904.
2. Leolen Hartman, born February 9, 1906.
3. Dwight Hartman, born March 17, 1908.
4. Walter J. Hartman, born September 8, 1910.
5. Loyal Hartman, born August 7, 1912.
6. Thelma Ophelia Hartman, born September 30, 1914.
7. Warren Devon Hartman, born April 7, 1917.

Harvey Hartman was married November 29, 1928 to Margaret Whitmer, daughter of Adam and Elizabeth (Smith) Whitmer.

Sixth Generation

Alberta Hartman lives in South Bend, Indiana, where she is employed by the Indiana-Michigan Electric Company. Unmarried.

Sixth Generation

Leolen Hartman was married September 8, 1928 to Merle Yoder. He is an employee of the St. Joseph Ice Company, Elkhart, Indiana, where they reside.

Children:

1. Phillip LaMar Hartman, born August 13, 1930; died August 13, 1930.
2. Donald Levon Hartman, born January 17, 1934.

Sixth Generation

Dwight Hartman was married January 26, 1929 to Fern Lozier. He is a long distance truck driver, and they live in Bremen, Indiana.

A son was born:

1. Roger Max Hartman, born November 18, 1932.

Sixth Generation

Walter J. Hartman was married August 6, 1934 to Muriel Neal, born March 31, 1915 in Elkhart, Indiana, daughter of Harry F. and Bessie B. (Osborne) Neal. They live in Elkhart, Indiana, where he is employed by the St. Joseph Ice Company.

To them was born:

1. Dany Edward Hartman, born January 4.

Sixth Generation

Thelma Ophelia Hartman was married April 21, 1935 to Levon Weaver, born November 15, 1915, son of Samuel and Magdalena (Eby) Weaver.

Farmer. Elkhart, Indiana. Mennonite.

Fifth Generation

Sylvester Hartman was married to Clara Brown. They lived in St. Louis, Missouri, where he was a cook.

One son was born:

1. Harold Arthur Hartman, born May 28, 1908.

Sixth Generation

Harold Arthur Hartman was married November 8, 1930 to Anna Luella Lanesky, born July 7, 1906, daughter of Anthony and Angeline Lanesky of Sand Lake, Michigan. They live at 1210 White Street, Grand Rapids, Michigan, and are members of the St. Mary's Catholic Church of

Grand Rapids. He is employed at the American Box Board Co. as a machine set up man, and is learning the electric refrigeration business on the side.

They have a daughter:

1. Joan Marie Hartman, born March 4, 1935.

Fifth Generation

Irving Hartman was married February 16, 1911 to Hazel Sharp, born May 11, 1889. She died September 6, 1920, aged 31 years, 3 months, 25 days. Irving Hartman was for a number of years a foreman in the automobile shops at Flint, Michigan. He later became a merchant in Flint, and has served as president of a grocers' association, the Genesee County Food Dealers. He was also one of the organizers and is now vice president and director of the Flint Wholesale Grocery. His address is 1308 Lapeer, Flint, Michigan.

Children:

1. Richard Sterling Hartman, born October 19, 1915.
2. Helen Louise Hartman, born August 2, 1916.
3. Ella Virginia Hartman, born December 19, 1917.
4. Forest Irving Hartman, born August 29, 1919; died in 1922.

Fourth Generation

Jacob Weldy was married January 8, 1878 by Bishop Jacob Beutler to Hannah Null, born December 20, 1856 in Crawford County, Ohio, near Galion, daughter of Christian and Mary (Freed) Null. At the age of four she came with her parents to a farm southwest of Wakarusa, Indiana, where she grew to womanhood. She was converted at the age of twelve and united with the Mennonite Church. She died September 27, 1930, aged 73 years, 9 months, 7 days.

During the first year after marriage Jacob and Hannah Weldy lived on the Weldy homestead, two miles southwest of Wakarusa. Later they purchased a farm in St. Joseph County, five miles northwest of Wakarusa, where they lived until the fall of 1893, when they removed to Wakarusa. He took over a grocery store and entered a mercantile career. In the meantime he purchased shares in the Wakarusa Mill and Elevator Company, which he later owned, and changed its name to the Wakarusa Milling Company. The business included dealing in coal, tile, cement, lime, etc., and was under the control of Jacob Weldy

for many years. In 1916 the Wakarusa Milling Company was sold to its present owners, Layer Brothers, and Jacob Weldy then made a contribution to the town as a builder. In addition to previously remodeling various houses, and building new ones, he now between 1916 and 1918 built the Weldy Block on the southwest corner of the central square. In building activities he probably did more than any other one man for the development of the town. He had the hobby of buying houses, repairing them, and then selling them. He also served on the town council. He was a member of the Mennonite Church.

Children :

1. Anna Mary Weldy, born September 21, 1878.
2. Leander Weldy, born December 27, 1880.
3. Elma Elizabeth Weldy, born July 24, 1882; died December 1, 1900. Aged 18 years, 4 months, 7 days.
4. Martha Weldy, born March 15, 1884; died April 22, 1896. Aged 12 years, 1 month, 7 days.
5. Timothy C. Weldy, born January 28, 1886.
6. Irwin N. Weldy, born July 14, 1888; died May 11, 1891. Aged 2 years, 7 months, 27 days.
7. Sylvester Y. Weldy, born January 27, 1890.
8. Aaron N. Weldy, born June 8, 1893; died March 4, 1929. Aged 35 years, 8 months, 26 days.

Fifth Generation

Anna Mary Weldy was married February 24, 1903 to Frank Hartman, born February 1, 1881, son of Adam and Nancy (Brenneman) Hartman. He is pastor of the Presbyterian Church in Ludlow, Kentucky, and has held pastorates in Indiana, Wisconsin, Illinois, Ohio, Kentucky, and Tennessee. In 1908 he traveled in Palestine. In addition to his pastoral work, he has done writing and lecturing, and has published two books of poetry, *Wine of Life* and *Reflections*.

Children :

1. Esther Marie Hartman, born December 19, 1904, in Noblesville, Indiana.
2. Frank Talmadge Hartman, born February 25, 1906, in Lancaster, Illinois.
3. Dorothy Virginia Hartman, born August 29, 1912, in Indianapolis, Indiana.

4. La Keta Jeannette Hartman, born August 3, 1914, in Indianapolis, Indiana.
5. Ruth Edna Hartman, born May 11, 1918, in Amberg, Wisconsin.

Sixth Generation

Esther Marie Hartman was married December 30, 1925 to George T. Howard, born September 27, 1904, son of Charles and Katherine Howard. He is a salesman connected with Pratt and Whitney, and their present address is 231 Thatcher Avenue, River Forest, Illinois.

Children:

1. Gene T. Howard, born November 2, 1926.
2. Charles Emery Howard, born December 11, 1928.

Sixth Generation

Frank Talmadge Hartman was married March 6, 1929 to Ruby Frances Craven, daughter of Tom and May (Cooper) Craven. He is a minister, and is affiliated with the Cumberland Presbyterian Church. Their permanent address is Smartt, Tennessee. They have lived in Winchester, Tennessee, during the past five years. Before entering the ministry Frank Talmadge Hartman was a school teacher, and also a printer.

They have a daughter:

1. La Keta Hartman, born April 18, 1936.

Sixth Generation

Dorothy Virginia Hartman was married September 22, 1935 to Frederick Edward Pietzuch, born November 7, 1908, son of Edward and Lydia (Wieckman) Pietzuch. He is an accountant and musician, and has written some music. Dorothy is a musician in voice and piano. Their present address is 811 Greer Street, Covington, Kentucky.

Fifth Generation

Leander A. Weldy was married November 17, 1906 to Elizabeth Christophel, born June 28, 1886, daughter of Bishop Jacob W. and Anna (Hoover) Christophel. After graduation from the Elkhart Institute (now Goshen College) in 1903 he was employed twelve years by his father as bookkeeper of the Wakarusa Milling Co. The following ten years he was a farmer. In 1925 he became superintendent of buildings and grounds at Goshen College, and two years later ticket agent in Goshen for the Northern Indiana Railway Co. They reside at 1233 So. Eighth St.,

Goshen, Indiana, and are members of the Mennonite Church.

Children:

1. Mildred Marie Weldy, born July 13, 1909; died January 8, 1933. Aged 23 years, 6 months, 25 days.
2. Verna Mae Weldy, born March 30, 1915.

Fifth Generation

Timothy C. Weldy was married October 30, 1904 to Ella S. Brenneman, born September 18, 1885, daughter of George and Lena (Kehr) Brenneman. After farming a number of years near Wakarusa, Indiana, they purchased a farm near Milford, Indiana, where they now reside. They are members of the Mennonite Church.

Children:

1. Orpha Cleo Weldy, born October 11, 1905.
2. Floyd Melvin Weldy, born April 14, 1908.
3. Rubadean Weldy, born June 16, 1910.
4. Florence Weldy, born April 28, 1914.
5. Maxine Weldy, born June 17, 1916.
6. Robert Jay Weldy, born February 21, 1921.
7. Francis Clayton Weldy, born May 25, 1924.

Sixth Generation

Orpha Cleo Weldy was married June 11, 1927 to Harvey D. Weaver, born June 21, 1904, son of Christian and Eliza (Ressler) Weaver.

Farmer. Nappanee, Indiana. Mennonite.

Sixth Generation

Floyd Melvin Weldy was married September 15, 1928 to Marian Melba Schrock, born April 24, 1908, daughter of Irvin and Emma (Herr) Schrock.

Children:

1. Dorothy Louise Weldy, born July 27, 1929.
2. Harold Dean Weldy, born February 11, 1931.
3. Roy Melvin Weldy, born August 10, 1933.
4. Dale Eugene Weldy, born November 15, 1934.

Sixth Generation

Rubadean Weldy was married October 22, 1933 to Jesse Hochstetler, son of Samuel S. and Anna (Hostetler) Hochstetler.

Farmer. Nappanee, Indiana. Mennonite.

To this union was born:

1. Stanley Jay Hochstetler, born September 18, 1934.

Sixth Generation

Florence Weldy was married December 2, 1936 to John J. Miller.

Sixth Generation

Maxine Weldy was married August 19, 1936 to Clyde LaMar Hershberger, born July 6, 1912, son of Leander and Wilma (Smeltzer) Hershberger.

Nappanee, Indiana. Mennonite.

Fifth Generation

Sylvester Y. Weldy was married August 30, 1914 at Indianapolis, Indiana, by Rev. Frank Hartman to Edna Fisher, daughter of Cornelius and Alwilda (Lock) Fisher. She was born January 3, 1893 in Elkhart County, Indiana, and died January 16, 1926.

Sylvester Y. Weldy is a merchant in Wakarusa, and has been for a number of years proprietor of the Weldy Store. He lives on Wabash Avenue, Wakarusa, Indiana.

Children, born in Wakarusa, Indiana:

1. Cleson Devon Weldy, born May 19, 1915.
2. Winford Lowell Weldy, born July 31, 1916.
3. Doris Imogene Weldy, born December 17, 1917.
4. Gene Richard Weldy, born April 2, 1922.

Sylvester Y. Weldy was married June 6, 1937 to Martha May Witmer. She was a teacher in the schools of Wakarusa and Elkhart.

Fifth Generation

Aaron N. Weldy was married December 24, 1914 to Mary Ruth Ecklebarger, born August 17, 1895, daughter of Jacob and Mary (Whitehead) Ecklebarger. For a number of years he was employed by his father in the Wakarusa Milling Company. Later he moved to Goshen, Indiana, where he was employed by the State Bank, and then engaged in the coal business.

Children:

1. Kathryn Pauline Weldy, born February 15, 1916 at Wakarusa, Indiana.
2. Everett Jacob Weldy, born October 18, 1919 at Goshen, Indiana.
3. Marcile Ellen Weldy, born July 17, 1929 at Goshen, Indiana.

Fourth Generation

John Weldy was married August 1, 1881 to Rhoda Annette Salsbury, born April 6, 1864, daughter of Luther and Clarissa (McCoy) Salsbury. She died August 24, 1928, aged 64 years, 3 months, 18 days. They lived on a farm in St. Joseph County, Indiana, four miles west and one and one half miles south of Wakarusa, and were members of the Christian Church.

Children:

1. Della May Weldy, born February 11, 1882.
2. Alma Clarissa Weldy, born May 10, 1883.
3. L. Ernest Weldy, born June 26, 1885.
4. Lloyd L. Weldy, born January 2, 1887; died March 17, 1933. Aged 46 years, 2 months, 15 days.
5. Buel C. Weldy, born November 16, 1896.
6. Ruth Viola Weldy, born January 14, 1902.

Fifth Generation

Della May Weldy was married August 19, 1905 to Martin Henry Ferguson, born March 29, 1883, son of Benjamin and Anna (Horning) Ferguson.

Farmer. Elkhart, Indiana. Mennonite.

Children:

1. Dorvin Ray Ferguson, born October 24, 1906.
2. Euleta Frances Ferguson, born December 15, 1909; died August 30, 1914. Aged 4 years, 8 months, 15 days.
3. John Clayton Ferguson, born May 7, 1914.

Sixth Generation

Dorvin Ray Ferguson was married to Edna Marie Shank, born November 23, 1908, daughter of Rev. Clarence and Maggie (Everest) Shank. He is a painter, and lives south of Elkhart, Indiana.

They have two boys:

1. Richard LaMar Ferguson, born December 25, 1930.
2. Carl Edward Ferguson, born November 3, 1932.

Fifth Generation

Alma Clarissa Weldy was married January 16, 1904 to Harley Hunsberger, born December 25, 1879, son of Henry and Anna Catharine (Garbarick) Hunsberger.

Farmer. Wakarusa, Indiana. Mennonite Brethren in Christ.

Children:

1. Clem Kenneth Hunsberger, born March 28, 1905.

2. Lowell Harold Hunsberger, born May 19, 1906.
3. Lloyd Ernest Hunsberger, born June 30, 1909.
4. Ruth Estella Hunsberger, born June 22, 1911.
5. Paul Everett Hunsberger, born March 25, 1916.
6. John Henry Hunsberger, born November 23, 1917.
7. Owen Carlyle Hunsberger, born March 22, 1923.

Sixth Generation

Clem Kenneth Hunsberger was married April 11, 1936 to Lucille Holderman, born April 20, 1909, daughter of Arthur and Elsie (Haney) Holderman. They live in Huntington, Indiana.

Sixth Generation

Lowell Harold Hunsberger was married June 6, 1937 to Marjorie Gingerich of Nappanee, Indiana, daughter of Noah Gingerich. She graduated in 1934 from Manchester College, and has been a teacher in the Nappanee schools. He is foreman of the Bontrager Construction Co., and they live in Gary, Indiana.

Sixth Generation

Lloyd E. Hunsberger was married February 10, 1935 to Hannah Sinn, born December 22, 1909, daughter of Christian and Mary (Lindeuer) Sinn. They live in Elkhart, Indiana.

Sixth Generation

Ruth Estella Hunsberger was married April 23, 1932 to Herbert J. Pittman, born January 29, 1911, son of Oliver and Eva (Manges) Pittman.

To them was born:

1. Betty Jean Pittman, born August 17, 1933.

Fifth Generation

L. Ernest Weldy was married February 14, 1906 to Myrtle Strobe, born September 18, 1876, daughter of Daniel and Emma (Seitz) Strobe.

Farmer. Wakarusa, Indiana. Christian Church.

Their children are:

1. Ireta Anita Weldy, born November 10, 1910; died December 5, 1910.
2. Warren Talmadge Weldy, born January 12, 1912.
3. Lyle Zelotus Weldy, born July 5, 1917.

Fifth Generation

Lloyd Lynn Weldy was married December 21, 1907 to Magdalene Grace Flory, born January 14, 1887, daughter of

John and Lydia (Easterday) Flory. They lived on the farm formerly known as the John Flory farm, located two miles west of Wakarusa, Indiana. Lloyd L. Weldy was a prominent member of the Christian Church in Wakarusa, having served as a deacon and for a number of years as Sunday school superintendent and teacher. He was one of the directors of the Cooperative Creamery Company of Wakarusa, and secretary of the board of directors. During the last five years of his life he was also assessor for Olive Township, Elkhart County, Indiana. Several days before his death he had gone to Chicago as a district delegate to the Pure Milk association. While crossing a Chicago street he was struck by an automobile, and so seriously injured that he died in the Cook County hospital without regaining consciousness.

Children:

1. J. Carl Weldy, born November 1, 1909.
2. L. Harold Weldy, born June 17, 1911.
3. Newell Bemis Weldy, born February 23, 1913.
4. Elma Ruth Weldy, born October 11, 1914.
5. Lowell LaMar Weldy, born April 25, 1916.
6. Flora Magdalene Weldy, born November 3, 1920.
7. Glade Burton Weldy, born November 16, 1922.

Elma Ruth Weldy was a student at Manchester College, and is a teacher in the Wakarusa Schools.

Sixth Generation

J. Carl Weldy was married October 12, 1933 to Ethel Teeter, born March 21, 1910, daughter of Wiley G. and Laura (Altic) Teeter. He is a dealer in hay and grain, and lives in Wakarusa, Indiana.

Sixth Generation

L. Harold Weldy was married in July, 1932 to Dorothy Crowfoot, daughter of Vernon and Mabel (Ort) Crowfoot. Farmer. Bremen, Indiana.

Fifth Generation

Buel C. Weldy was married April 24, 1920 to Hazel V. Leatherman, born March 22, 1898, daughter of Henry and Minerva (Ehret) Letherman.

To them was born:

1. Floyd Paul Weldy, born March 24, 1921.
2. Janette Phillis Weldy, born January 8, 1926.

Fifth Generation

Ruth Viola Weldy was married September 24, 1921 to Russell Lowell Wenger, born August 30, 1902, son of Daniel W. and Ann Eliza (Holdeman) Wenger.

Elkhart, Indiana. R. R. 4. Christian Church.

Children:

1. Eunice Naomi Wenger, born April 17, 1922.
2. Russell Wenger, Jr., born March 13, 1924.
3. Helen Annetta Wenger, born January 29, 1925.
4. John Daniel Wenger, born June 20, 1929.

Fourth Generation

Henry Weldy was married July 15, 1883 to Alma Dolman, born April 19, 1866, daughter of Joel and Martha (Moyer) Dolman. They lived on their farm in Locke Township, Elkhart County, Indiana, three and one half miles southwest of Wakarusa until 1915, after which they resided in Olive Township. On February 3, 1890, four years after uniting with the Church, Henry Weldy was ordained a minister and served the Holdeman Congregation of the Mennonite Church for over forty-five years. For a number of years he made frequent trips to minister to the members at Teegarden, Indiana, and also for a time preached regularly at Madison Union Chapel. He was greatly interested in the publishing interests of the Church and secured many subscriptions for its publications and book department. He was a tireless worker, stood for conservatism in doctrine and discipline, and for aggression in missionary enterprises. For eleven years he was a trustee of the North Union Cemetery.

The Mennonite Year-Book (1935) described his ministerial career as follows: "He was a zealous defender of the faith, a regular attendant at conferences, wide-awake in Christian service, and in earlier years was used as an evangelist. All the Church activities, from the Mennonite General Conference to the congregational activities in his own community, had his hearty support."

Children:

1. Sarah Jane Weldy, born June 16, 1884.
2. Emma Salome Weldy, born August 27, 1886.
3. Clara Alice Weldy, born June 2, 1888.
4. Noah Abram Weldy, born October 3, 1890.
5. Cornelius S. Weldy, born August 11, 1893.

6. Anna Naomi Weldy, born July 30, 1896.
7. Albert Otis Weldy, born March 4, 1901; died December 5, 1904. Aged 3 years, 9 months, 1 day.

Fifth Generation

Sarah Jane Weldy was married February 3, 1906 to George J. Horein, born September 7, 1877, son of Jacob and Kate (Schlarb) Horein. They live on a farm northwest of Wakarusa, Indiana.

Children:

1. Hazel Naomi Horein, born July 21, 1908.
2. Alma Catherine Horein, born June 30, 1912.
3. Anna Fern Horein, born March 29, 1915.
4. Warren Kenneth Horein, born February 16, 1918.
5. Raymond Jay Horein, born July 6, 1922.

Sixth Generation

Hazel Naomi Horein was married August 13, 1927 to Ralph Hahn, born April 14, 1906, son of Frank and Laura (Birk) Hahn. He died October 30, 1936.

Farmer. Wakarusa, Indiana.

Fifth Generation

Emma Saloma Weldy was married October 18, 1903 to John O. Mullett, son of Jonas and Sarah (Slabaugh) Mullett. He was born in Marshall County, Indiana, December 17, 1878, and died February 27, 1936; aged 57 years, 2 months, 10 days. They had lived in Marshall County, a few miles west of Nappanee, and in 1917 moved to Elkhart County, near Wakarusa. John was a cabinet maker at the Mutschler Mfg. Co. in Nappanee, and was well known as a sign painter. They were members of the Mennonite Church.

Children:

1. Gladys Lavona Mullett, born April 21, 1904.
2. Alma Verbena Mullett, born September 9, 1908.
3. Treva May Mullett, born March 24, 1910.
4. Marvin Edgar Mullett, born September 28, 1912.
5. Lulu Naomi Mullett, born June 13, 1913; died March 5, 1916. Aged 2 years, 8 months, 22 days.
6. Hermon Henry Mullett, born June 11, 1915; died March 8, 1916. Aged 8 months, 27 days.
7. John Junior Mullett, born October 7, 1923.

Sixth Generation

Gladys Lavona Mullett was married June 28, 1924 to

George Davidhizar, born January 17, 1903, son of Enos and Martha (Beutler) Davidhizar.

Farmer. Wakarusa, Indiana. Mennonite.

Children:

1. Louis Lavon Davidhizar, born October 10, 1925.
2. Loreen Annetta Davidhizar, born November 2, 1928.

Sixth Generation

Alma Verbena Mullett was married April 7, 1928 to Valentine Gerber, born March 13, 1904, son of John and Barbara (Yoder) Gerber.

Farmer. Ligonier, Indiana. Mennonite.

Children:

1. Irene Marie Gerber, born November 19, 1928; died November 19, 1928.
2. Arnold Gene Gerber, born July 25, 1931.
3. Donna Louise Gerber, born November 18, 1932; died December 17, 1932.
4. Richard Lavon Gerber, born October 3, 1934.
5. Allen Roy Gerber, born May 11, 1936.

Sixth Generation

Treva May Mullett was married June 27, 1931 to Levi E. Miller, born September 21, 1905, son of Eli and Mary (Yoder) Miller. They had lived on a farm near Ligonier, Indiana, but now near Wakarusa, Indiana. They are Mennonites.

Children:

1. Rodney Vance Miller, born May 3, 1932.
2. Wilford Delno Miller, born March 27, 1933.
3. Myrna Cathlyn Miller, born May 30, 1934.
4. Larry Lee Miller, born April 17, 1937.

Sixth Generation

Marvin Edgar Mullett was married November 4, 1932 to Gertrude Twiford, daughter of Clyde Twiford. He is a mechanic, and also hauls freight from Chicago to other cities.

They have a daughter:

1. Marline Gene Mullett, born September 27, 1933.

Fifth Generation

Clara Alice Weldy was married December 29, 1906 to Aaron Chester Myers, born May 22, 1883, son of Isaac and Elizabeth (Yoder) Myers.

Farmer. Goshen, Indiana, R. R. 5. Mennonite.

Children :

1. Mabel Fern Myers, born April 8, 1908.
2. Kenneth Leroy Myers, born May 27, 1909.
3. Roscoe Mervin Myers, born January 2, 1911.
4. Harold Devon Myers, born May 21, 1914.
5. Bertha Naomi Myers, born July 25, 1915.
6. Forrest Lamar Myers, born April 23, 1916.
7. Inez Maxine Myers, born June 21, 1918.
8. Warren Clayton Myers, born May 13, 1920.
9. Lowell Edward Myers, born May 29, 1924.
10. Robert Dean Myers, born April 19, 1927.

Sixth Generation

Mabel Myers was married April 20, 1929 to John Yoder, born September 5, 1901, son of Jacob V. and Caroline (Bleile) Yoder.

Farmer. Ligonier, Indiana. Mennonite.

Children :

1. Wilda Joan Yoder, born February 13, 1932; died February 20, 1932.
2. Royce Allen Yoder, born November 23, 1933.
3. Kenneth Earl Yoder, born August 27, 1935.

Sixth Generation

Kenneth Leroy Myers was married May 12, 1934 to Carrie Bell Bollinger, born October 7, 1908 at Shipshewanna, Indiana, daughter of John and Nora (Cripe) Bollinger.

Factory worker. New Paris, Indiana. Church of the Brethren.

Sixth Generation

Roscoe Mervin Myers was married January 30, 1932 to Ruby Ellen Keyser. Their present address is New Paris, Indiana.

To them was born :

1. Roscoe Willis Myers, born September 16, 1931.

Sixth Generation

Bertha Naomi Myers was married October 20, 1934 to Ivan Carlyle Martin, born May 16, 1913, son of Frank and Martha (Lehman) Martin.

Farmer. Topeka, Indiana.

One daughter :

1. Janet Ann Martin, born December 25, 1936.

Fifth Generation

Noah Weldy was married October 5, 1910 to Lillie Dinta-

man, born August 3, 1889, daughter of Samuel and Effie (Houser) Dintaman.

Farmer. Wakarusa, Indiana. Mennonite.

Children:

1. Child, died in infancy.
2. Russell Jay Weldy, born November 23, 1912.
3. Marjorie May Weldy, born September 20, 1917.
4. Kathryn Marilyn Weldy, born September 1, 1926.

Fifth Generation

Cornelius S. Weldy was married August 15, 1914 to Golda Belle Wenger, born October 27, 1895, daughter of Daniel and Ann (Holdeman) Wenger.

Farmer. Wakarusa, Indiana. Mennonite.

Children:

1. Vivian Lucile Weldy, born August 8, 1915.
2. Pauline Lois Weldy, born July 31, 1917.
3. Harold C. Weldy, born September 15, 1919.
4. Vernella Genevieve Weldy, born September 10, 1921; died March 23, 1922. Aged 6 months, 13 days.
5. Alma Ann Weldy, born September 19, 1925.
6. Wayne W. Weldy, born September 29, 1932.

Sixth Generation

Vivian Lucile Weldy was married December 25, 1935 to Abner Glenn Brown, born January 27, 1910, son of Ira and Anna (Flickinger) Brown.

Farmer. Wakarusa, Indiana. Mennonite.

They have a daughter:

1. LaVeda Faye Brown, born February 13, 1937.

Fifth Generation

Anna Weldy was married August 5, 1916 to Oliver Loucks, born February 4, 1895, son of Jacob and Mary (Wenger) Loucks.

Farmer. Wakarusa, Indiana. Mennonite.

Children:

1. Helen Marie Loucks, born February 27, 1918; died March 1, 1918.
2. Lamar Emerson Loucks, born March 18, 1919.
3. Lowell Kenneth Loucks, born June 11, 1920.
4. Ruth Elnora Loucks, born February 28, 1926.
5. Katharine Louisa Loucks, born April 14, 1928.
6. James Oliver Loucks, born May 6, 1937.

Fourth Generation

Joseph W. Weldy was married November 5, 1892 to Mary Sheets, daughter of Peter and Elizabeth (Kauffman) Sheets. She was born May 16, 1873 and died July 15, 1923. He has been a farmer and landowner, and lives four miles west and two south of Wakarusa, Indiana, in Madison Township, St. Joseph County. He is a member of the Mennonite Church and has served as Sunday school superintendent at Madison Union Chapel, four miles west of Wakarusa.

Children:

1. Charles Franklin Weldy, born March 31, 1893.
2. Irvin Victor Weldy, born March 27, 1894.
3. William Albert Weldy, born February 8, 1896.
4. Nora Ellen Weldy, born November 10, 1898.
5. Goldy May Weldy, born June 11, 1900.
6. Harvey Roscoe Weldy, born June 24, 1902.
7. Anna Elizabeth Weldy, born March 31, 1904.
8. Mabel Camilla Weldy, born February 13, 1907.
9. Nina Viola Weldy, born December 20, 1908.
10. Berniece Elmira Weldy, born December 20, 1910.
11. Kenneth Ray Weldy, born January 8, 1913; died June 23, 1927. Aged 14 years, 5 months, 15 days.
12. Owen Raymond Weldy, born August 31, 1914.
13. Lola Marie Weldy, born August 30, 1916.

Joseph W. Weldy was married the second time August 22, 1924 to Anna (Herr) Leatherman.

Fifth Generation

Charles Franklin Weldy was married July 29, 1911 to Pearl Hygema, born March 29, 1895, daughter of David and Sarah (Loucks) Hygema.

Farmer. Elkhart, Indiana. Mennonite.

Children:

1. Edna May Weldy, born February 22, 1912.
2. Russell Edward Weldy, born July 24, 1913.
3. Levon Ray Weldy, born October 27, 1918.

Sixth Generation

Edna May Weldy was married February 14, 1937 to Harley E. Kauffman, born July 8, 1913, in LaGrange County, Indiana, son of Edward and Mary (Weaver) Kauffman. They live in Middlebury, Indiana, where he operates a garage. They are members of the Mennonite Church.

Fifth Generation

Irvin Victor Weldy was married November 26, 1916 to Lola May Pittman, daughter of Chalmer and Sarah (Conrad) Pittman. He was in the army three years with headquarters at Fort Worth, Texas.

Laborer. Bremen, Indiana.

Children:

1. Berna Gwendolen Weldy, born May 3, 1917.
2. Clayton William Weldy, born April 26, 1920.
3. Fern Areta Weldy, October 1, 1923.
4. Blanche Lucille Weldy, born May 4, 1926.
5. Eva June Weldy, born June 6, 1927.
6. Treva June Weldy, born June 6, 1927.
7. Charles Joseph Weldy, born

(The Irvin V. Weldy record is incomplete.)

Fifth Generation

William Albert Weldy was married November 27, 1915 to Bertha Ethel Longfield, born September 28, 1896, daughter of David and Catherine (Kauffman) Longfield. William A. Weldy had been a farmer, but later was employed by the Wakarusa Co-operative Creamery. At present they live in Elkhart, Indiana, where he is employed in milk delivery.

Children:

1. Donald Levon Weldy, born May 2, 1917.
2. Fern Lucile Weldy, born September 15, 1920; died November 29, 1924. Aged 4 years, 2 months, 14 days.
3. Robert Dale Weldy, born January 28, 1927.
4. Violet Jean Weldy, born October 8, 1929.

Fifth Generation

Nora Ellen Weldy was married September 6, 1916 to Menno Richer, born September 27, 1894, son of Solomon S. and Katie (Lichty) Richer.

Laborer. Wakarusa, Indiana. Mennonite.

Children:

1. Virgil Vernon Richer, born June 10, 1920.
2. Silas S. Richer, born October 24, 1921.
3. Joseph S. Richer, born June 7, 1923.
4. Mabel Marie Richer, born December 17, 1925.
5. Lowell LaMar Richer, born October 11, 1927.
6. Catharine Ruth Richer, born September 2, 1928.
7. Charles Maynard Richer, born October 8, 1932.
8. Norma Jean Richer, born April 11, 1937.

Fifth Generation

Goldy May Weldy was married December 20, 1917 to Charles Owen Wenger, born July 30, 1900, son of David and Eva (Loucks) Wenger.

Farmer. Wakarusa, Indiana.

Children:

1. Fay Marie Wenger, born November 16, 1918.
2. Myrtle Maxine Wenger, born May 9, 1920.
3. Leota May Wenger, born December 14, 1921.
4. Vada Ruth Wenger, born December 9, 1926.
5. Doris Jean Wenger, born March 25, 1928.
6. Charles Junior Wenger, born February 14, 1931.
7. David Owen Wenger, born March 3, 1933.
8. Kenneth Ray Wenger, born December 31, 1934.

Fifth Generation

Harvey Roscoe Weldy was married November 25, 1922 to Laura Culp, born September 16, 1903, daughter of David and Lucinda (Bixler) Culp.

Farmer. Wakarusa, Indiana. Mennonite.

Children:

1. Cleo Lucille Weldy, born May 11, 1925.
2. Dale Edward Weldy, born December 23, 1927.
3. Mary Ellen Weldy, born July 6, 1929.
4. Vera Faye Weldy, born February 21, 1932.

Fifth Generation

Anna Elizabeth Weldy was married August 26, 1922 to Amos Lichty, born September 28, 1900, son of John and Sarah (Newhouser) Lichty.

Farmer. Fort Wayne, Indiana. Mennonite.

Children:

1. May Irene Lichty, born May 8, 1924.
2. Betty June Lichty, born June 20, 1927.
3. Joseph W. Lichty, born March 16, 1930.

Fifth Generation

Mabel Camilla Weldy was married October 17, 1925 to Norman P. Weaver, born May 10, 1903, son of Christian P. and Sarah Jane (Martin) Weaver.

Cabinet maker. 802 West Walnut St., Nappanee, Indiana. Mennonite.

Children:

1. Wayne Robert Weaver, born August 30, 1926; died August 30, 1926.

2. Florence Jeanette Weaver, born July 21, 1928.
3. Elnora Jane Weaver, born March 30, 1932.
4. Erma Arleen Weaver, born February 21, 1935.

Fifth Generation

Nina Viola Weldy was married August 10, 1929 to Paul F. Weaver, son of Christian P. and Sarah Jane (Martin) Weaver. He is a cabinet maker and carpenter, and also a song leader. Goshen, Indiana, R. R. 3. Mennonite.

Children:

1. Evelyn Mae Weaver, born July 10, 1930.
2. Edward Ray Weaver, born September 24, 1932.
3. Fay Etta Weaver, born November 16, 1934.
4. Shirley Eileen Weaver, born March 9, 1936.

Fifth Generation

Berneice Elmira Weldy was married December 24, 1929 to George Edward Martin, born July 21, 1905, son of Abraham and Mary (Risser) Martin.

Farmer. Elkhart Indiana. Mennonite.

They have two daughters:

1. Mary Lucile Martin, born February 16, 1931.
2. Ruth Naomi Martin, born March 16, 1932.

Fifth Generation

Owen Raymond Weldy was married October 15, 1933 to Geneva Janet Miller, born July 11, 1915 at Archbold, Ohio, daughter of John and Martha (Miller) Miller.

Burner at the Vitreous Steel Products Company, Nappanee, Indiana.

653 So. Elm St., Nappanee. Mennonite.

To them was born:

1. Magdalena Joan Weldy, born October 17, 1934.

Fourth Generation

Levi Weldy was married August 8, 1891 to Alice Madlem, born June 26, 1874, daughter of Isaac and Elizabeth (Fink) Madlem. Levi Weldy entered the ministry of the Mennonite Brethren in Christ Church in 1910, and was ordained in 1917. He has held pastorates at West Union and Oak Grove, Indiana, and at Berlamont, Michigan. He was for many years a cream tester, and is at present connected with the Wakarusa Produce Co. at Wakarusa, Indiana, where they live.

Children:

1. Orin Jay Weldy, born June 9, 1893.

2. Orville Ray Weldy, born November 6, 1894.
3. Aden M. Weldy, born June 26, 1897; died January 10, 1918. Aged 20 years, 6 months, 14 days.
4. Allen Weldy, born September 30, 1899.
5. Nellie Vesta Weldy, born March 31, 1901.
6. Elsie Elizabeth Weldy, born October 26, 1903.
7. Edna Mae Weldy, born May 25, 1908.

Fifth Generation

Orin Weldy was married November 6, 1915 to Addie Marie Pittman, born September 22, 1897, daughter of Oliver and Eva (Mangus) Pittman.

Carpenter and contractor. Wakarusa, Indiana.

Fifth Generation

Orville Ray Weldy was married February 20, 1915 to Mary Matilda Green, born February 14, 1897, daughter of Jackson and Sarah (Ungry) Green. They reside on a farm near Wakarusa, Indiana.

Children:

1. Erma Lucille Weldy, born June 22, 1915 in Elkhart County, Indiana.
2. Treva Irene Weldy, born July 3, 1919 in St. Joseph County, Indiana.
3. Dale Robert Weldy, born June 30, 1923 in Elkhart County, Indiana.
4. Ivan LaVerne Weldy, born November 24, 1930 in Elkhart County, Indiana.

Fifth Generation

Allen Weldy was married August 27, 1922 to Nina Vera Roose, daughter of Eli and Ellen (Culp) Roose. He has been engaged in educational work, and taught during the school year 1918-1919 in Harrison Township, Elkhart County, at the Morningstar School; 1919-1921 in Jefferson Township, Kosciusko County, at the Grimm School, and 1921-1925 at the Hasting School in the same township; 1925-1929 he was principal of the Osolo Consolidated School in Elkhart County; 1929-1935 principal of the Kennedy School in St. Joseph County; and since 1935 is principal of the Lincoln School in the Elkhart city school system. He graduated from Manchester College in 1930 with a B. A. degree and a high school principal's license, and received the M. A. degree in 1937 at Indiana University. Allen Weldy has been president of the Men's Work organization

of the Church of the Brethren of northern Indiana (forty-nine churches), and is third vice president of the national organization of Men's Work.

Allen and Nina Vera (Roose) Weldy live at 1609 West Indiana Avenue, Elkhart, Indiana.

They have three sons:

1. Winfred Elson Weldy, born October 20, 1923.
2. Gilbert Ray Weldy, born October 3, 1924.
3. Edgar Allen Weldy, born May 8, 1931.

Fifth Generation

Nellie Vesta Weldy was married November 2, 1920 to George Loucks, born March 13, 1900 in Marshall County, Indiana, son of Enos and Eliza (Bleile) Loucks.

Children:

1. Arline Fay Loucks, born July 14, 1923.
2. Janet Phyllis Loucks, born May 20, 1925.
3. Melba Jean Loucks, born February 28, 1930.

Fifth Generation

Elsie Elizabeth Weldy was married May 1, 1926 to George H. Smith, born October 1, 1905, son of Phillip H. and Mary (Heller) Smith. She was before marriage a school teacher in Harrison Township, Elkhart County, Indiana. They live at 126 Nadel Avenue, Elkhart, Indiana, and are members of the Mennonite Brethren in Christ Church.

Children:

1. Max Eugene Smith, born August 1, 1927.
2. Philip Lee Smith, born June 8, 1931.
3. Jerry H. Smith, born September 28, 1934.
4. Mary Alice Smith, born April 7, 1936.

Fifth Generation

Edna Mae Weldy was married July 23, 1927 to Russell Calvin Bender, born May 5, 1906, son of Charles and Della (Kindig) Bender. He is an employee of Adams-Westlake, and they live near Elkhart, Indiana.

Children:

1. Rex DeLos Bender, born February 20, 1930.
2. Stanley Orin Bender, born May 27, 1931.
3. Jimmie Kieth Bender, born August 1, 1935.

Fourth Generation

Emma Weldy was married December 18, 1890 to Samuel Madlem, born August 6, 1869, son of Isaac and Elizabeth

(Fink) Madlem. They live on a farm near Wakarusa, Indiana, and are members of the Mennonite Church.

Children:

1. Levi Allen Madlem, born January 8, 1892.
2. Elon Ralph Madlem, born May 18, 1894.
3. Alvin Oscar Madlem, born November 18, 1895.
4. Wilbur Olen Madlem, born January 25, 1898.
5. Eldon Wayne Madlem, born February 20, 1900.
6. Anna Elizabeth Madlem, born January 19, 1904.
7. Mabel Viola Madlem, born July 24, 1908.

Fifth Generation

Levi Allen Madlem was married March 26, 1915 to Sylvia Pittman, born October 8, 1898, daughter of Chalmer and Sarah (Conrad) Pittman.

Farmer. Wakarusa, Indiana.

Children:

1. Burna Irene Madlem, born June 12, 1915.
2. Arvin Dale Madlem, born July 18, 1918.
3. Betty Jane Madlem, born February 1, 1925.
4. Phillis Marie Madlem, born May 21, 1927.

Fifth Generation

Elon Ralph Madlem was married November 21, 1917 to Ethel Faye Wiltfong, born May 4, 1901 in Lagrange County, Indiana, daughter of Schuyler A. and Bertha May (Graham) Wiltfong. He is employed in an armature winding factory.

Children:

1. Lyman Ralph Madlem, born November 8, 1919.
2. Robert Earl Madlem, born August 22, 1924.

Fifth Generation

Alvin Oscar Madlem was married April 3, 1920 to Minnie Anthony, daughter of William and Anna (Tolmien) Anthony. He lives in Wakarusa, Indiana and is employed by the Adams-Westlake Co. at Elkhart, Indiana.

Children:

1. Aredale Romaine Madlem, born November 11, 1920.
2. Dean DeVere Madlem, born August 27, 1926.

Fifth Generation

Wilbur Olen Madlem was married March 6, 1920 to Ethel Martin, daughter of Samuel and Lovina (Mishler) Martin. He lives near Wakarusa, Indiana and is employed by the Adams-Westlake Co. at Elkhart, Indiana.

Children:

1. Evelyn Frances Madlem, born June 24, 1920; died January 24, 1922. Aged 1 year, 5 months.
2. Eileen Lois Madlem, born August 26, 1924.
3. Norma Jean Madlem, born March 23, 1927.

Fifth Generation

Eldon Wayne Madlem was married February 21, 1920 to Clara Overholtser, born February 24, 1896 in Goshen, Indiana, daughter of Monroe and Clista (Wallace) Overholtser. He lives in Elkhart, Indiana, and is employed by the Chicago Telephone Supply Co.

Children:

1. Dorothy May Madlem, born May 23, 1922.
2. Wayne Junior Madlem, born May 12, 1924.
3. Roberta Catharine Madlem, born April 1, 1927.

Eldon Wayne Madlem was married the second time June 15, 1929, to Anna Mae Lusher.

Children:

1. Phyllis Lou Madlem, born November 24, 1929.
2. Norris Rynaldo Madlem, born November 10, 1932.

Fifth Generation

Anna Elizabeth Madlem was married November 15, 1923 to Vernon Edgar Bechtel, born November 15, 1904 in Union Township, Elkhart County, Indiana, son of Noah and Lydia (Morningstar) Bechtel.

Farmer. Wakarusa, Indiana. Mennonite.

To them was born:

1. Marna Veryl Bechtel, born July 23, 1931.

Fifth Generation

Mabel Viola Madlem was married February 6, 1926 to Edwin Wilbur Vantine, born April 12, 1905, son of Albert and Hollis (Topping) Vantine.

Laborer. Elkhart, Indiana. Mennonite.

Children:

1. Norman Leroy Vantine, born May 17, 1929.
2. Neva Marie Vantine, born January 30, 1932.
3. Nola Ann Vantine, born February 23, 1934.

Fourth Generation

Amos Weldy was married January 6, 1895 to Amanda Hartman, born September 23, 1873, daughter of Adam and Nancy (Brenneman) Hartman. She died October 18, 1907, aged 34 years, 25 days. He had been engaged in general

farming and stock raising on the Abraham Weldy homestead, which he owned, and had been an active worker in the Holdeman congregation of the Mennonite Church, having served as trustee of the church and superintendent of the Sunday school. He later sold this farm and on May 12, 1921 moved to Southern Indiana, Davies County, for the purpose of assisting in rural missionary work. On October 30, 1921, he was ordained a deacon, and has since served the Berea Congregation in that capacity. He now owns a farm in that vicinity.

Children of Amos and Amanda (Hartman) Weldy:

1. Cora Weldy, born March 6, 1896; died February 6, 1920. Aged 23 years, 11 months.
2. Ray Weldy, born August 27, 1898.

Amos Weldy was married the second time November 21, 1908 to Mary Kohli, born September 2, 1877, daughter of Isaac and Christina (Shank) Kohli.

Children:

1. Esther Pauline Weldy, born July 16, 1910.
2. Paul Francis Weldy, born October 17, 1916.

Fifth Generation

Cora Weldy was married August 9, 1915 to Harry B. Holdeman, born February 25, 1892, son of Frederick and Jemima (Hostetler) Holdeman. She was a member of the Mennonite Church.

Children:

1. Raymond B. Holdeman, born April 3, 1917; died April 13, 1918. Aged 1 year, 10 days.
2. Robert L. Holdeman, born September 1, 1919.

Fifth Generation

Ray Weldy was married October 27, 1917 to Erma LaVera Stauffer, born April 16, 1898, daughter of John E. and Lilly (Ralston) Stauffer. They live on a farm south of Elkhart, Indiana, R. R. 4, and are members of the Mennonite Church.

Children:

1. Lewis Lamar Weldy, born March 2, 1919.
2. Harry Blaine Weldy, born December 25, 1922.
3. Dewey Amos Weldy, born February 28, 1925.
4. Irene Opal Weldy, born October 29, 1929.
5. Roma June Weldy, born June 16, 1935.

Fifth Generation

Esther Pauline Weldy was married March 26, 1932 to Paul O. Maust, son of Norman S. and Mayme (Kimmel) Maust. She was a school teacher one year in West Virginia. They live at Bay Port, Michigan, and are members of the Amish Mennonite (Conservative) Church.

Children:

1. Ray LaVern Maust, born April 6, 1934.
2. Clifford Jay Maust, born May 26, 1935.

Third Generation

Jacob H. Yoder was married June 27, 1852 to Anna Shriner, born April 20, 1832 in Lancaster County, Pennsylvania, daughter of William and Susanna (Sheets) Shriner. She died June 27, 1860, at the age of 28 years, 2 months, 7 days. Jacob Yoder owned a 160 acre farm in Harrison Township, six miles south of the Hotel Bucklin, Elkhart. He had a shoe shop in Ohio, before coming to Indiana. They were Mennonites.

Children:

1. Franklin Yoder, born January 19, 1853 in Wayne County, Ohio; died January 17, 1854 in Elkhart County, Indiana. Aged 11 months, 9 days.
2. Susanna Yoder, born October 9, 1854; died October 31, 1931. Aged 77 years, 22 days. Single.
3. Samuel S. Yoder, born August 9, 1857; died June 21, 1930. Aged 72 years, 10 months, 12 days.
4. Lydia Ann Yoder, born February 7, 1859; died November 24, 1932. Aged 73 years, 17 days.

Jacob H. Yoder was married the second time to Barbara Shriner, who was a sister to his first wife. She was born in Lancaster County, Pennsylvania September 7, 1837, and died May 1, 1885, at the age of 48 years, 8 months, 22 days. She had come to Indiana to take care of her sister, and then before marriage worked for Jacob H. Yoder.

Children:

1. Benjamin Yoder, born June 2, 1862; died August 14, 1936. Aged 74 years, 2 months, 12 days.
2. Eliza Ann Yoder, born August 21, 1863; died October 4, 1931. Aged 68 years, 1 month, 13 days.
3. William Henry Yoder, born November 17, 1864; died March 23, 1875. Aged 10 years, 4 months, 6 days.

4. John S. Yoder, born March 17, 1867; died April 11, 1932. Aged 65 years, 25 days.
5. Margaret Yoder, born June 3, 1871; died September 13, 1872. Aged 1 year, 3 months, 10 days.
6. Barbara Ellen Yoder, born March 14, 1874; died in infancy.
7. Jacob Yoder, born November 14, 1878; died November 15, 1878. Aged 1 day.

All the children of Jacob H. Yoder were born and died in Elkhart County, Indiana, excepting Franklin Yoder.

Jacob H. Yoder was married the third time to Elizabeth Christophel, widow of Isaac Christophel.

Fourth Generation

Samuel S. Yoder was married September 26, 1880 to Mary Culp, born October 10, 1859, daughter of David and Margaret (Wisler) Culp. He lived first on the John Yoder farm south of Elkhart, then moved to his own farm south of Elkhart on the Oakland Avenue Road. In his later years he lived in Elkhart. They were Mennonites.

Children:

1. Benjamin Franklin Yoder, born June 29, 1881.
2. Rosa Ellen Yoder, born April 1, 1883; died March 16, 1888. Aged 4 years, 11 months, 15 days.
3. Sadie May Yoder, born March 1, 1885.
4. Martha Matrona Yoder, born February 2, 1887.
5. Goldia Istella Yoder, born December 19, 1892.
6. Warren Ellsworth Yoder, born March 10, 1895.
7. George Calvin Yoder, born July 16, 1899; died July 19, 1899.

Fifth Generation

Frank Yoder was married May 3, 1906 to Mabel McCoy, born January 30, 1887, daughter of Oren and Eliza Ellen (Nunemaker) McCoy. They live on a farm south of Elkhart on the Prairie Street road and are members of the Mennonite Brethren in Christ Church.

Children:

1. Virginia May Yoder, born July 18, 1907.
2. Samuel Ray Yoder, born May 2, 1911.
3. Forrest Boyd Yoder, born May 19, 1915.
4. Marie Edna Yoder, born August 7, 1919.

Sixth Generation

Virginia May Yoder was married June 6, 1925 to Ray

Yoder, born November 17, 1905, son of Vernon A. and Lulu (Vanscoik) Yoder. They live on the south side of Elkhart, Indiana, on Prairie Street. He is at present a polisher at the Conn Band Instrument Co., and is an assistant mail carrier in Elkhart.

Children:

1. Wayne Kieth Yoder, born February 8, 1926.
2. Robert Allen Yoder, born March 14, 1928.
3. Larry Ray Yoder, born August 24, 1934.

Sixth Generation

Samuel Ray Yoder was married November 30, 1933 to Marjorie Null, born January 12, 1912, daughter of Ira and Ida (Hahn) Null. They live in Goshen, Indiana, where he is a mechanic.

Fifth Generation

Sadie May Yoder was married August 3, 1905 to Oliver Sherman, born April 12, 1883, son of Henry and Catharine (Kurtz) Sherman. They live on a farm south of Elkhart on the Oakland Avenue road and are Mennonites.

Children:

1. Treva Marcella Sherman, born January 24, 1909.
2. Oliver Romaine Sherman, born January 30, 1913.

Sixth Generation

Treva M. Sherman was married October 7, 1928 to Elmer D. Yontz, born September 10, 1902, son of David and Emma (Yoder) Yontz. He has been employed by the Studebaker Corporation of South Bend, Indiana, where they live.

They have a son:

1. Richard Dean Yontz, born November 17, 1933.

Sixth Generation

Romaine Sherman was married February 12, 1933 to Ruth Bleile, born April 13, 1912, daughter of Ezra and Sarah (Metzler) Bleile.

Farmer and auctioneer. Nappanee, Indiana. Mennonite.

They have a son:

1. Jene Romaine Sherman, born April 9, 1934.

Fifth Generation

Martha Matrona Yoder was married December 9, 1905 to Edward Francis Martin, born October 12, 1881, son of John and Elizabeth (Brenneman) Martin. They live on a

farm south of Elkhart on the Oakland Avenue road. He has been entrusted with various responsible offices in the Mennonite Church, including those of treasurer of the Indiana-Michigan Mennonite Sunday School Conference, treasurer of the Indiana-Michigan Mennonite Mission Board, and was business manager of Goshen College.

Children:

1. Mary Elizabeth Martin, born June 11, 1907.
2. Ellis Mervin Martin, born October 14, 1910.
3. Owen Paul Martin, adopted, born May 17, 1917.
4. Helen Lucile Martin, born June 21, 1917; died June 25, 1917. Aged 4 days.
5. Robert Edward Martin, born December 29, 1921.

Sixth Generation

Mary Elizabeth Martin was married August 25, 1929 to William Delmar Hershberger, born May 3, 1903 at Wellman, Iowa, son of C. E. and Esther (Miller) Hershberger. He is a graduate of Goshen College (B. A. 1927), and Geo. Washington University (M. A. 1930). He was formerly physicist in research in sound at Naval Research Laboratory, Washington, D. C., and is now associate physicist in research at Signal Corps Laboratories, Fort Monmouth, New Jersey. Member, American Physical Society. Mary E. (Martin) Hershberger received the B. A. degree from Goshen College in 1929.

Children:

1. Betty Ann Hershberger, born November 10, 1930.
2. William Martin Hershberger, born December 1, 1934; died February 3, 1935. Aged 2 months, 2 days.

Sixth Generation

Ellis Mervin Martin was married March 27, 1932 to Clyda Geiser of Iowa.

Farmer. Elkhart, Indiana. Mennonite.

One son:

1. Kenneth Mervin Martin, born November 5, 1934.

Fifth Generation

Goldia Istella Yoder was married January 19, 1909 to Roy Sloat, born May 3, 1889, son of Addison and Sarah (Fishburn) Sloat. They live on a farm six miles south of Elkhart opposite the Jacob Yoder homestead, and are members of the Mennonite Brethren in Christ Church.

Children:

1. L. Russell Sloat, born September 3, 1909.
2. Lowell R. Sloat, born August 23, 1911.
3. Florence C. Sloat, born September 22, 1913.

Sixth Generation

L. Russell Sloat, after graduation from the Wakarusa High School, attended the Fort Wayne Bible School at Fort Wayne, Indiana, and January 11, 1935 left for Nigeria, West Africa, where he is a missionary and engaged in evangelistic work under the board of the Mennonite Brethren in Christ Church.

Sixth Generation

Lowell R. Sloat was married June 16, 1935 to Miriam Mast, daughter of Albert and Goldie (Culp) Mast.

Farmer. Elkhart, Indiana. Mennonite Brethren in Christ.

Sixth Generation

Florence C. Sloat was married February 14, 1937 to Roscoe Jacob Eby, born March 23, 1911 in Olive Township, Elkhart County, Indiana, son of Jacob and Ann (BeMiller) Eby.

Farmer. Wakarusa, Indiana.

Fifth Generation

Warren Ellsworth Yoder was married December 9, 1915 to Mary Billman, born April 10, 1896, daughter of Daniel and Emma (Fox) Billman. They live south of Elkhart, Indiana.

Children:

1. Edna Marie Yoder, born September 12, 1919.
2. Ralph LaMar Yoder, born February 12, 1925.

Fourth Generation

Lydia Ann Yoder was married November 1, 1885 to John Hygema, born October 4, 1864 in Elkhart County, Indiana, son of Romka and Yetska Hygema. His father, Romka Hygema, was born in Friesland, afterwards removed to Holland, and in 1853 emigrated to America, settling first in Elkhart County but later in Marshall County. After their marriage John and Lydia Ann (Yoder) Hygema began house-keeping on a farm five miles west of Wakarusa and spent nearly all of their married life there. He was ordained to the ministry August 27, 1893 at the Holdeman congregation of the Mennonite Church, and remained one

of its ministers until death, although he was not able to attend services very often the last few years. After being in poor health five or six years he left for California on Thanksgiving Day, 1907. He had been staying at Chico, but went to Corning to fill an appointment, and while there became suddenly ill and died. He died June 21, 1908 at the age of 43 years, 8 months, 17 days.

In 1927 Lydia Ann (Yoder) Hygema moved to Wakarusa where she and her sister, Susanna, lived together until the death of the latter in 1931. She was a member of the Mennonite Church since girlhood, and usually attended services at the Holdeman congregation.

Children, born in St. Joseph County, Indiana:

1. Samuel Hygema, born June 3, 1887; died July 3, 1892. Aged 5 years, 1 month.
2. Walter Guy Hygema, born November 5, 1889.
3. Elmer Loyd Hygema, born December 17, 1892.
4. Joseph Oscar Hygema, born September 14, 1896.
5. Goldie May Hygema, born April 16, 1902; died February 9, 1927. Aged 24 years, 9 months, 24 days.

Fifth Generation

Walter Hygema was married April 14, 1910 to Sarah M. Myers, born April 6, 1889, the daughter of Isaac and Elizabeth (Yoder) Myers. They are proprietors of the Pennsylvania Hotel on Lake Jackson in Sebring, Florida. He is also engaged in general contracting and house moving. Before moving to Sebring they lived in Wakarusa, Indiana, and he was a dredging contractor. Their church affiliation is Mennonite.

Children:

1. Ralph Olen Hygema, born June 21, 1911.
2. Warren E. Hygema, born September 23, 1914.
3. Guy Ellis Hygema, born December 13, 1918.
4. Fern Goldie Hygema, born October 5, 1920.

Sixth Generation

Ralph Olen Hygema was married June 17, 1935 to Sarah Carolyn McKinney of West Virginia. He is employed in the commissary of the mines. Church of the Brethren. Beards Fork, West Virginia.

They have a son:

1. Guy Olen Hygema, born June 4, 1936.

Sixth Generation

Warren E. Hygema was married December 4, 1933 to Mary Brenneman, born April 16, 1916 in Wakarusa, Indiana, daughter of Adam and Elizabeth (Wenger) Brenneman.

Truck driver. Wakarusa, Indiana.

A daughter was born:

1. Sarah Elizabeth Hygema, born April 5, 1934.

Sixth Generation

Fern Goldie Hygema was married November 21, 1935 to Ernest P. Eures. Their address is Sebring, Florida.

A son was born:

1. Ernest Eures, Jr., born June 6, 1936.

Fifth Generation

Elmer L. Hygema married Emma Mable Nettrouer, born September 8, 1889, in Locke, Elkhart County, Indiana, daughter of Thomas and Margaret (Belt) Nettrouer. He was for a number of years engaged in the dredging business, and is now a farmer near Newtown, Ohio.

Children:

1. Edna Evelyn Hygema, born April 8, 1914 in Wabash County, Indiana; died March 14, 1916.
2. Roscoe C. Hygema, born February 16, 1916 in St. Joseph County, Indiana.
3. Ruth Dora Hygema, born April 24, 1919 in Elkhart County, Indiana.
4. Beulah Lois Hygema, born February 27, 1924 in Elkhart County, Indiana.
5. Betty Lou Hygema, born July 20, 1928 in Laporte County, Indiana.

Fifth Generation

Joseph Oscar Hygema was married December 23, 1916 to Myrtle Weaver, born February 20, 1898, daughter of Andrew and Sarah (Tschupp) Weaver. He is a mechanic at the Eby Auto Sales Garage in Wakarusa, Indiana, and is also the proprietor of a store at Southwest, a village four miles east of Wakarusa, and eight miles southwest of Goshen. They live at Southwest and Mrs. Hygema operates the store. They are members of the Church of the Brethren.

Children:

1. Gladys May Hygema, born March 3, 1918.
2. Dorothy Marie Hygema, born November 19, 1922.

Fifth Generation

Goldie May Hygema was married May 30, 1925 to Fred Stichter, born November 29, 1898, son of Henry and Lucy (Kegg) Stichter. He has been engaged in road construction work. Wakarusa, Indiana. Mennonite.

One daughter was born:

1. Esther Leona Stichter, born January 28, 1926.

Fourth Generation

Benjamin Yoder was married August 17, 1884 to Magdalena Teeter, born November 27, 1862, daughter of John and Lydia (Cripe) Teeter. They were both born in 1862 directly across the road from each other in Harrison Township, Elkhart County, Indiana, and never lived more than a mile and a half from the place where they were born. They lived four miles south of Elkhart on the Prairie Street Road, and were engaged in butter making for their regular customers in Elkhart. In 1897 they united with the Church of the Brethren, attended the Elkhart Valley Church, and in 1901 he was ordained a deacon. Their companionship dated almost from birth, having in childhood lived so close together and attended the same school and church, and they died within less than fourteen hours of each other. Benjamin Yoder died on Friday evening, August 14, 1936, and his wife on Saturday morning, August 15, 1936. Double funeral services were held for them on their fifty-second wedding anniversary, Monday, August 17, 1936.

They had no children.

Fourth Generation

Eliza Ann Yoder was married November 3, 1888 to James B. Wogomon, born November 3, 1856 three miles southwest of Goshen, Indiana, son of George and Catherine Wogomon. He died September 29, 1931, aged 74 years, 26 days. They lived on their farm three miles south of Elkhart on the Oakland Avenue road, and were members of the Church of the Brethren.

Children:

1. Minnie Catherine Wogomon, born June 22, 1890; died July 24, 1926. Aged 36 years, 1 month, 2 days.
2. Benjamin Jacob Wogomon, born February 15, 1892.
3. Elsie May Wogomon, born August 30, 1893.
4. Roy Ellsworth Wogomon, born September 22, 1895.

5. Agnes Celestia Wogomon, born April 12, 1897; died June 16, 1897. Aged 2 months, 4 days.

Fifth Generation

Minnie Catherine Wogomon was married February 11, 1915 to Clarence R. Smeltzer, born November 25, 1891, son of David and Mary (Holdeman) Smeltzer. She grew to womanhood in Concord Township, Elkhart County, Indiana, and after marriage they lived on a farm one mile north of Wakarusa. They were Mennonites.

Children:

1. Roy Olen Smeltzer, born November 22, 1915; died December 17, 1934. Aged 19 years, 25 days.
2. Vernon Ray Smeltzer, born February 2, 1917; died February 2, 1917.
3. Ruth Ellen Smeltzer, born February 16, 1919.
4. Kenneth Lamar Smeltzer, born January 3, 1921; died January 29, 1921.
5. Viola Marie Smeltzer, born January 27, 1922.
6. Maynard Laverne Smeltzer, born November 23, 1924; died November 23, 1924.

Fifth Generation

Benjamin J. Wogomon was married July 31, 1915 to Bessie Billman, born August 5, 1893, daughter of Daniel and Emma (Fox) Billman. They live on a farm northeast of Wakarusa, Indiana and are Mennonites.

Children:

1. Walter Leroy Wogomon, born March 5, 1916.
2. Mabel Ellen Wogomon, born February 14, 1920.
3. Clara Elizabeth Wogomon, born March 19, 1921.
4. Kenneth Levon Wogomon, born November 12, 1927.

Fifth Generation

Elsie May Wogomon was married September 18, 1915 to Edgar Stickel, born March 25, 1888, son of David and Mary (Whitmer) Stickel. They live on a farm south of Elkhart, Indiana, on the Oakland Avenue road.

They have one daughter:

1. Florence Ellen Stickel, born April 13, 1917.

Fifth Generation

Roy E. Wogomon was married February 27, 1925 to Celesta Johnson, born March 21, 1900, daughter of Ephriam and Mary (Peters) Johnson. They are affiliated with the

Church of the Brethren and live on a farm along the Oakland Avenue road south of Elkhart.

Fourth Generation

John S. Yoder was married in 1885 to Alvoretta Waterman, daughter of Daniel Waterman. He was a farmer and lived six miles south and one mile east of Elkhart, Indiana.

Children :

1. Walter Guy Yoder, born November 30, 1885.
2. Mabel May Yoder, born May 23, 1890.

Fifth Generation

Walter Guy Yoder was married June 10, 1905 to Ethel Macomber, born November 13, 1888, daughter of Gideon F. and Ellen Ann (Hunt) Macomber. They live on a farm south of Elkhart. He has also been employed as a salesman in Wakarusa and in Elkhart.

Children :

1. Tursia Flossie Yoder, born September 6, 1906.
2. Florence Muriel Yoder, born February 14, 1908.
3. Roscoe Leroy Yoder, born August 13, 1917.

Sixth Generation

Tursia Flossie Yoder was married July 12, 1922 to Charles Lienhart, born March 20, 1902, son of Eckhard and Lydia (Best) Lienhart. They live on the south side of Elkhart, Indiana.

Children :

1. Lillian Maxine Lienhart, born September 13, 1923.
2. Marjorie Lenora Lienhart, born June 14, 1925.
3. Doris Mae Lienhart, born February 29, 1928.
4. Walter Edward Lienhart, born January 27, 1930.
5. Everett Franklin Lienhart, born September 24, 1933.

Sixth Generation

Florence Muriel Yoder was married to Rex McCraner. Machinist. South Bend, Indiana.

Fifth Generation

Mabel Yoder was married in 1907 to Ivan C. Kenaga, born September 14, 1885, son of Menno S. and Mary Alice (Plank) Kenaga.

One son :

1. Flawn Yoder, born January 19, 1908.

Sixth Generation

Flawn Yoder was married February 9, 1929 to Anna

Hunsberger, born November 22, 1910, daughter of Daniel W. and Flora Ellen (Pletcher) Hunsberger.

Farmer. Elkhart, Indiana.

Children:

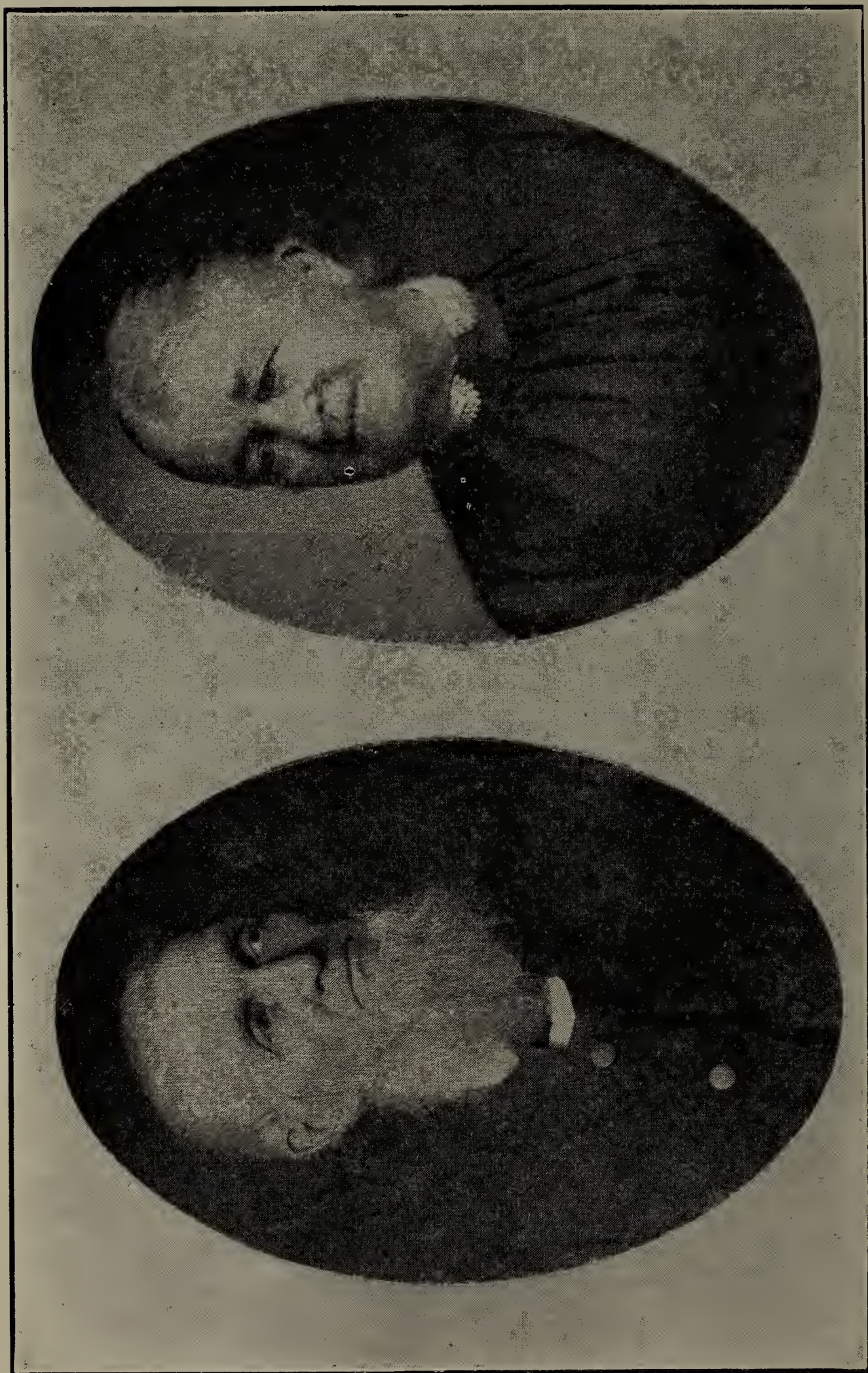
1. Leroy Otis Yoder, born December 4, 1930.
2. Ella Mae Yoder, born August, 1934.

Third Generation

Samuel Yoder was born May 3, 1835, in Columbiana County, Ohio, shortly before the death of his father, Samuel Yoder. After the marriage of his mother, Margaret (Holdeman) Yoder, to Jacob Freed, who lived in Holmes County, Ohio, Samuel, together with his mother and brothers and sisters, went to Holmes County to live. Later, in 1851, they came to Elkhart County, Indiana. At the time of the journey Samuel was sixteen years of age, and it fell to his portion to drive a four-horse team and wagon. He then assisted his step-father, Jacob Freed, in developing their farm one and one-half miles south of Wakarusa.

On April 22, 1858 Samuel Yoder married Elizabeth Woods, daughter of Alexander and Anna (Aikens) Woods. She was born in Dark County, Ohio, December 1, 1840, and came with her parents to Elkhart County, Indiana in 1845. Her parents moved on what was later the Christian Holdeman farm five miles southwest of Elkhart, and after living there fourteen years removed to Grundy County, Illinois. In Grundy County, near Gardner, Samuel Yoder and Elizabeth Woods were married. They lived for some years on a farm which they had purchased in Elkhart County, and in 1865 moved to a farm seven miles west of South Bend. In the same year they united with the Mennonite Church.

Bishop John M. Brenneman of Ohio visited at the home of Samuel Yoder in 1866, and held an evening religious service in a school house. The people seemed desirous to hear the Word of God, and there were prospects for forming a church there. In the following year, on January 11, 1867, Bishop Brenneman ordained Samuel Yoder to the ministry of the Gospel, and he was given charge of the small congregation near his home. He was willing to improve his talents, both in speaking and in writing; occasionally he contributed to the Herald of Truth, and made a number of trips to other communities and states where he



Samuel and Elizabeth (Woods) Yoder.

preached in school houses as well as in churches. In the fall of 1885 Samuel Yoder and family moved to Elkhart, where they lived for a number of years at 1309 Prairie Street (almost opposite the church), and where he was assistant pastor of the Prairie Street Mennonite Church.

Elizabeth (Woods) Yoder died November 16, 1903 at the age of 62 years, 11 months and 15 days. On September 11, 1905 Samuel Yoder married Mrs. Susan (Alsbaugh) Lehman of Cullom, Illinois. He continued his residence in Elkhart until her death in 1921, after which he lived with his son, Elmer, near South Bend. He died March 12, 1925, aged 89 years, 10 months, and 9 days.

Children born to Samuel and Elizabeth (Woods) Yoder:

1. Alexander Yoder, born February 5, 1859, died September 21, 1879. Aged 20 years, 7 months, 16 days.
2. Tabitha Yoder, born June 3, 1862; died January 13, 1864. Aged 1 year, 7 months, 10 days.
3. Elmer E. Yoder, born September 13, 1864.
4. Elmyra Yoder, born April 6, 1866, died January 22, 1931. Aged 64 years, 9 months, 16 days.
5. Mary Jane Yoder, born January 2, 1868.
6. George N. Yoder, born July 6, 1869.
7. Anna Elizabeth Yoder, born November 7, 1874.
8. Della Yoder, born August 6, 1876; died June 25, 1894. Aged 17 years, 10 months, 19 days.

Fourth Generation

Elmer E. Yoder was married November 26, 1892 to Mary Catherine Lammedee, born July 26, 1869, daughter of Adam and Anna (Whitmer) Lammedee. They live on a farm near South Bend, Indiana, where he has specialized in the production of high quality live stock. He is a deacon in the Church of the Brethren.

Children:

1. Bernice Yoder, born April 3, 1894.
2. Eldon Yoder, born October 18, 1895.
3. Raymond Woods Yoder, born October 11, 1910.
4. Mary Ann Yoder, born April 25, 1912.

Mary Ann Yoder is a graduate nurse.

Fifth Generation

Bernice Yoder was married January 14, 1916 to Charles B. Byers, son of Andrew and Margretta (Green) Byers. He is an instructor of vocational agriculture and

biology in the Nappanee High School. He is a director of choirs and musical enterprises in the city of Nappanee, Indiana, is district director of 4-H Clubs, and has served as vice president of the Northern Indiana Teachers Association in 1935-1936, and president in 1936-1937. They live in Nappanee, Indiana, and are active members of the Methodist Church.

They have two sons:

1. Jackson Green Byers, born March 7, 1922.
2. George Elmer Byers, born September 7, 1930.

Fifth Generation

Eldon Yoder was married to Frances Harriet Metcalf, born April 27, 1893, daughter of Frank and Grace Metcalf. Farmer. South Bend, Indiana.

Children:

1. Robert Yoder, born September 1, 1920.
2. Doris Yoder, born August 11, 1921.
3. Don Franklin Yoder, born December 26, 1936.

Fifth Generation

Raymond Woods Yoder was married May 25, 1936 to Elva Strobe, born June 8, 1915, daughter of Charles and Verna Strobe.

Automobile mechanic. South Bend, Indiana.

Fourth Generation

Elmyra Yoder was married June 30, 1897 to William D. Baker, born May 23, 1867, son of Thomas and Lydia (Matteson) Baker. He operates a retail bakery, known as Baker's Bakery, at 214 W. Fourth Street, Santa Ana, California. Their address is 618 French Street, Santa Ana, and they are affiliated with the M. E. Church.

One son was born:

1. George Harold Baker, born May 20, 1901.

Fifth Generation

George Harold Baker was married to Louise Campbell. Stocks and bond salesman. Santa Ana, California.

They have one daughter:

1. Barbara Baker, born October 17, 1929.

Fourth Generation

Mary Jane Yoder was married June 14, 1893 to George Miles Feerrar, born February 18, 1867 near Williamsport, Pennsylvania, son of Joseph and Sarah Feerrar. He died August 3, 1907; aged 40 years, 5 months, 15 days.

From the time of their marriage until October 4, 1904 they lived in South Bend, Indiana, where he was a bookkeeper at the Baker & Cassaday South Bend Chilled Plow Co. In October, 1904, they moved to Long Beach, California, where he was in the bakery business with his brother-in-law, William D. Baker.

Mary Jane (Yoder) Feerrar had been a bookkeeper five years before marriage at the Warren Hill & Co. store in Elkhart, Indiana. In September, 1913, she and her daughter removed to Los Angeles, where they have lived ever since. Since September, 1931, she has been chaperone for the Kappa Alpha Theta Sorority on the campus of the University of Southern California. She is a member of the Methodist Church.

Children:

1. A son, still-born April 26, 1898.
2. Gladys Marie Feerrar, born May 20, 1902.
3. Paul Perce Feerrar, born April 10, 1905; died September 26, 1906.

Fifth Generation

Gladys Marie Feerrar was married November 11, 1924 to Milburn Gregory Harvey. She had graduated in June 1921 from the University of Southern California. Milburn Gregory Harvey attended Stanford University one year, then graduated from the school of law at the University of Southern California in 1922. He is now practicing law in Santa Ana, California, and is City Attorney at Laguna Beach where they reside.

Children:

1. Ann Harvey, born October 21, 1928.
2. Milburn Gregory Harvey, Jr., born December 5, 1932.

Fourth Generation

George N. Yoder was married August 11, 1902 to Mamie Owen, born May 19, 1878, daughter of Martin L. and Susan (Fish) Owen. George N. Yoder lived on the farm eight miles west of South Bend, Indiana, where he was born, until he was sixteen years of age; then he moved with his parents to Elkhart, and started working in a blacksmith shop at the age of eighteen. At twenty-one he went to Dayton, Ohio, and worked there as a mill tool dresser until 1907, when he went to Long Beach, California. In this city he has had a successful career in the real estate business.

They are members of the Methodist Church and live at 3046 East Broadway, Long Beach, California.

They have a son:

1. Neil Yoder, born January 4, 1919.

Fourth Generation

Anna Elizabeth Yoder, educator, dramatic reader and lecturer, graduated from the School of Oratory, Northwestern University, in 1902, and was a post-graduate student there in 1906. From 1902 to 1905 she was an instructor at Goshen College, Goshen, Indiana; from 1906 to 1908 at Cornell College, Mt. Vernon, Iowa; and from 1908 to 1921 she was with the University of Southern California, having served the eleven latter years as Dean of the School of Speech. For thirteen summers she directed tours for travel parties to Europe, and lectured there several years. After leaving the University of Southern California, she established and became director of the Elizabeth Yoder School in Florence, Italy, a collegiate school for American girls. She has lectured in the art galleries of Florence, Italy, for travel bureaus. For many years she was given recognition in *Who's Who in America*.

Third Generation

Catherine Freed was married November 27, 1854 to Jacob Loucks, born September 9, 1831, son of Peter and Anna (Berkey) Loucks.* In 1851 he came with his parents to Elkhart County, Indiana. After 1858 Jacob and Catherine (Freed) Loucks lived on their farm in Madison Township, St. Joseph County, Indiana, two and one-half miles west of Wakarusa where Jairus Loucks now lives. In 1891 they moved to a farm which they had purchased in Olive Township, Elkhart County, Indiana, located two miles west of Wakarusa and now known as the Lloyd Weldy farm. There they built a new house and barn. Jacob Loucks was ordained a minister in the Mennonite Church, but did not render active service. He died October 23, 1893,

* Peter Loucks was born September 21, 1805 in Westmoreland County, Pennsylvania, and died April 13, 1895 in Elkhart County, Indiana; aged 89 years, 6 months, 22 days. He was married in Pennsylvania February 1, 1827 to Anna Berkey, daughter of John and Susanna (Buzzard) Berkey; Susanna (Buzzard) Berkey was a sister to Christiana (Buzzard) Holdeman. Anna (Berkey) Loucks was born September 1, 1808, and died April 1, 1890; aged 81 years, 7 months. Soon after marriage Peter and Anna (Berkey) Loucks removed to Ohio and lived successively in the counties of Holmes, Medina, and Wayne. In 1851 they came to Elkhart County, Indiana, and purchased 160 acres of woodland in Harrison Township where Rev. Jonas Loucks, their youngest son, later lived.

aged 62 years, 1 month, 14 days. His brother, Peter, and his sister, Mary, also married members of the Holdeman family, as will be seen elsewhere in this book.

Children born to Jacob and Catherine (Freed) Loucks:

1. Infant.
2. William Henry Loucks, born April 26, 1857; died July 14, 1934. Aged 77 years, 2 months, 18 days.
3. Sarah Samantha Loucks, born March 23, 1860; died September 11, 1926. Aged 66 years, 5 months, 18 days.
4. Mary Elizabeth Loucks, born April 8, 1862.
5. Andrew Martin Loucks, born June 6, 1865; died August 27, 1866. Aged 1 year, 2 months, 21 days.
6. Jacob Oliver Loucks, born October 15, 1867.
7. Anna Margaret Loucks, born August 22, 1870.
8. Jonas Ervin Loucks, born October 12, 1875.

Fourth Generation

William Henry Loucks was married October 26, 1876 to Ellen N. Topper, born June 2, 1858, daughter of Joseph and Maria (Deerheart) Topper. William Henry Loucks owned the Jacob Loucks farm where he lived until 1919 when he moved to Wakarusa. He became well known as a bee expert and devoted much time to his favorite occupation. They were members of the Mennonite Church.

Children:

1. Joseph M. Loucks, born September 22, 1877; died September 23, 1878. Aged 1 year, 1 day.
2. Jacob Franklin Loucks, born January 20, 1879.
3. Anna C. Loucks, born October 8, 1881.
4. Jairus A. Loucks, born June 30, 1888.
5. Nora M. Loucks, born October 27, 1890.
6. Dora I. Loucks, born October 27, 1890.
7. Lola I. Loucks, born March 9, 1902.

Fifth Generation

Jacob Franklin Loucks was married March 23, 1901 to Minnie Charlotte Beehler, born March 31, 1882, daughter of Adam and Sarah (Beehler) Beehler. He is a conductor on the New York Central Railroad. They reside at 219 Redding Avenue, Elkhart, Indiana.

Children:

1. Buel Franklin Loucks, born October 20, 1901. He is a graduate of the University of Indiana Law School.
2. Trella Fay Loucks, born July 11, 1903.

3. Dessie Sarah Loucks, born September 8, 1905.
4. Hazel Mae Evelyn Loucks, born May 23, 1908.
5. Adam Henry Loucks, born March 18, 1910.

Sixth Generation

Trella Fay Loucks was married April 22, 1924 to Rodger E. Till, born January 16, 1903 in Auburn, Indiana, son of George and Clara (Helfrick) Till. They live in Dayton, Ohio, where he is manager of a Penny Store.

One son:

1. Ray E. Till, born February 12, 1927.

Sixth Generation

Dessie Sarah Loucks was married October 23, 1931 to Edward Armstrong, born March 26, 1905 in England, son of William and Mary (Cameron) Armstrong. They live in Elkhart, Indiana, where he is connected with the Armstrong Co., flute manufacturers.

Sixth Generation

Hazel Mae Loucks was married October 6, 1925 to William Locke, born February 10, 1908.

To them was born:

1. Betty Joan Locke, born June 25, 1927.

Hazel Mae Loucks was married the second time April 17, 1936 to Clifford James Artley, born August 18, 1910. They live north of Elkhart near Simonton Lake, and he is an assembler for the Pedler Co.

Sixth Generation

Adam Henry Loucks was married March 31, 1935 to Vera Agnes Rodgers, born January 5, 1916. They live in Elkhart, Indiana, and he is employed at Miles Laboratories.

To them was born:

1. Janet Jean Loucks, born June 20, 1936.

Fifth Generation

Anna C. Loucks was married October 24, 1901 to Henry Flory, born October 24, 1881, son of John and Lydia (Easterday) Flory. They live on their farm two miles east of Wakarusa and are members of the Mennonite Brethren in Christ Church.

Farmer. Wakarusa, Indiana. Mennonite Brethren in Christ.

Children:

1. Melvin Henry Flory, born September 5, 1902.

2. Grace M. Flory, born January 11, 1904.
3. Bertha M. Flory, born July 24, 1905.
4. Madge M. Flory, born June 14, 1907.
5. Anna Pearl Flory, born June 20, 1913.
6. John Raymond Flory, born January 28, 1917.
7. May Louisa Flory, born September 25, 1925.

Sixth Generation

Melvin Henry Flory was married February 10, 1923 to Grace Wise, born November 18, 1905, daughter of Levi and Katie (Greenewalt) Wise.

Shoe repairer. Wakarusa, Indiana. Mennonite Brethren in Christ.

Children:

1. Henry Edward Flory, born February 28, 1928; died August 11, 1928. Aged 5 months, 13 days.
2. Fayette Flory, born December 19, 1929.
3. Ruth Joan Flory, born October 16, 1935.

Sixth Generation

Grace M. Flory was married May 27, 1922 to Floyd H. Zimmerman, born April 20, 1899, son of Ezra and Ida (High) Zimmerman.

Laborer. Wakarusa, Indiana. Mennonite Brethren in Christ.

Children:

1. Harold Romaine Zimmerman, born April 3, 1923.
2. Floyd Jr. Zimmerman, born April 25, 1924.
3. Devon Raymond Zimmerman, born August 15, 1925.
4. Cecil Paul Zimmerman, born November 1, 1927.

Sixth Generation

Bertha M. Flory was married September 16, 1922 to Harvey Samuel Lockwood, born July 25, 1903, son of Samuel and Alvena (Doering) Lockwood. They live in Elkhart, Indiana.

Children:

1. Dale Eugene Lockwood, born November 24, 1923.
2. Norma June Lockwood, born June 24, 1925.

Sixth Generation

Madge M. Flory was married December 17, 1927 to Merrill S. Markley, born October 3, 1906, son of Ephriam and Agnes (Hartman) Markley.

Elkhart, Indiana. Mennonite Brethren in Christ.

One daughter:

1. Maxine Louisa Markley, born November 9, 1929.

Sixth Generation

Anna Pearl Flory was married November 26, 1931 to Harry E. Shaffer, son of Verd and Jessie (Younce) Shaffer. He was born December 2, 1905, and died April 30, 1935. He had been engaged in road construction work at Columbia City, Indiana.

Children:

1. Kieth Eugene Shaffer, born October 24, 1932.
2. Wendell Lee Shaffer, born March 6, 1935.

Fifth Generation

Jairus A. Loucks was married March 2, 1920 to Blanche Schrader, born August 9, 1894, daughter of Charles and Catherine (Kline) Schrader. He farms the original Jacob Loucks farm later owned by William Henry Loucks, two and one half miles west of Wakarusa, Indiana.

Children:

1. Josephine Estella Loucks, born January 4, 1922.
2. Berneta Irene Loucks, born February 8, 1927.

Fifth Generation

Nora M. Loucks was married May 17, 1908 to Otis Culp, born March 5, 1885, son of Alpha and Mary (Rule) Culp. He was a farmer and later a salesman. He also invented and manufactured a new style of hall trees. They live near Wakarusa, Indiana and are members of the Mennonite Brethren in Christ Church.

Children:

1. Mary Ellen Culp, born November 16, 1908.
2. Kenneth Richard Culp, born April 23, 1913.

Sixth Generation

Mary Ellen Culp was married August 25, 1928 to Alvin Beery, born September 29, 1907, son of Rev. Jesse A. and Velma L. (Fulk) Beery. He is a member of the Mumaw Coal Co. of Wakarusa, Indiana. Mennonite Brethren in Christ.

Children:

1. Phyllis Jo Beery, born March 25, 1930.
2. Max Leon Beery, born March 12, 1936.

Sixth Generation

Kenneth R. Culp was married July 11, 1936 to Mary Madlin Hamsher, born June 17, 1917, in DeKalb County, Indiana, daughter of Henry A. and Gertrude (Hartzell) Hamsher.

They live in Nappanee, Indiana, where he at present operates a filling station.

Fifth Generation

Dora I. Loucks was married January 14, 1908 to Morris Pippenger, born February 19, 1890, son of Levi and Alice (Neff) Pippenger. After marriage they operated the William Henry Loucks farm west of Wakarusa until 1910, when they moved to Elkhart, where he was a machinist for the New York Central R. R. In 1931 they removed to a farm east of Goshen, and 2 years later to their present home three miles south of Wakarusa. He is at present a stock buyer. They are members of the Christian Church.

Children :

1. Treva Fern Pippenger, born August 27, 1908.
2. Mary Ellen Pippenger, born November 18, 1910.
3. Lilie Annetta Pippenger, born September 1, 1912; died September 3, 1912.
4. William Henry Pippenger, born February 11, 1914.

Sixth Generation

Treva Fern Pippenger was married May 24, 1926 to Berdett Hartman, born October 3, 1899.

To them was born :

1. Maurice Eugene Hartman, born August 30, 1927.

Sixth Generation

Mary Ellen Pippenger was married March 7, 1931 to John J. Welty, born January 5, 1912. They live on a farm southeast of Nappanee, Indiana.

Their children are :

1. Donald Jay Welty, born January 27, 1932.
2. Arlene K. Welty, born January 21, 1934.

Sixth Generation

William Henry Pippenger was married May 23, 1931 to Emma Hendricks, born January 5, 1913. He is employed by the Buescher Band Instrument Co. of Elkhart, Indiana.

To them was born :

1. Gareth Lamar Pippenger, born June 26, 1932.

William Henry Pippenger was married June 5, 1937 to Neva E. Freeman of Elkhart.

Fifth Generation

Lola I. Loucks was married June 5, 1919 to Floyd Robert Hahn, born October 11, 1895, son of John and Elizabeth (Culp) Hahn.

Gasoline station operator. Wakarusa, Indiana. Christian Church.

Children:

1. John Henry Hahn, born May 8, 1920.
2. Virginia Vandale Hahn, born March 29, 1923.
3. Roger Dale Hahn, born January 22, 1926.
4. Shirley Joan Hahn, born July 2, 1931.

Fourth Generation

Sarah Samantha Loucks was married March 2, 1876 to John Riley Mikel, born March 12, 1854.

To them was born:

1. William Henry Loucks, born October 20, 1877.

(On November 10, 1882 John Riley Mikel was married to Susie Stump.)

Fifth Generation

William Henry Loucks was married June 2, 1897 to Anna Mary Beehler, born January 28, 1880, daughter of Adam and Sarah (Beehler) Beehler. They live on a farm three miles west of Wakarusa and are members of the Christian Church.

Children:

1. Warren Adam Loucks, born October 13, 1898; died June 4, 1900. Aged 1 year, 7 months, 21 days.
2. Nellie Verneice Loucks, born February 2, 1900.
3. Ida Viola Loucks, born May 4, 1902.
4. Theodore Roosevelt Loucks, born November 1, 1904.
5. Agnes Primrose Loucks, born October 23, 1906.
6. Sarah Marie Loucks, born February 5, 1912.
7. Bemis William Loucks, born June 20, 1916.

Sixth Generation

Nellie Verneice Loucks was married April 17, 1920 to Anson Housour, born August 4, 1897, son of Alvin and Anna (Wisler) Housour. They live on a farm one mile west of Wakarusa, Indiana. Christian Church.

Children:

1. Wahneta Fern Housour, born October 24, 1920.
2. Elnor Marie Housour, born October 12, 1923.
- 3 & 4. Infant twin sons, born June 1, 1925; died June 1, 1925.
5. Annebelle Lou Housour, born March 5, 1927.
6. Betty Jane Housour, born February 20, 1929.

7. Don William Housour, born June 2, 1931.
8. Dale A. Housour, born July 8, 1936.

Fifth Generation

Ida Viola Loucks was married October 7, 1922 to Ralph Warren Fredericks, born August 12, 1898, son of George and Nettie (Anthony) Fredericks. They live on a farm three miles west of Wakarusa. Christian Church.

Children:

1. Leon W. Fredericks, born September 10, 1923.
2. Irma Louisa Fredericks, born December 14, 1928.

Sixth Generation

Theodore Roosevelt Loucks was married December 17, 1921 to Vada Georgia Sechrist, born February 22, 1904, daughter of Elmer and Ella (Stackhouse) Sechrist.

Road Construction work. Wakarusa, Indiana. Christian Church.

Children:

1. Infant son, born August 15, 1922; died August 15, 1922.
2. Max William Loucks, born October 9, 1923.
3. Phyllis Rozelle Loucks, born January 26, 1929.
4. Billy Dean Loucks, born October 28, 1934.

Sixth Generation

Sarah Marie Loucks was married February 20, 1932 to Ralph Kenneth Troxel, born March 9, 1911, son of John and Linnie (Keeley) Troxel.

Farmer. Wakarusa, Indiana. Christian Church.

A son was born:

1. Jackie Lee Troxel, born April 27, 1933.

Sixth Generation

Bemis William Loucks was married October 20, 1934 to Mary Irene Johnson, born June 6, 1916, daughter of Melvin and Sadie Johnson.

Farmer. Wakarusa, Indiana. Christian Church.

To them was born:

1. Suzanne Louise Loucks, born June 16, 1935.

Fourth Generation

Mary E. Loucks was married September 14, 1879 to Joseph Dils, son of Joseph and Catharine (Ulery) Dils. He was born July 7, 1853, and died November 11, 1910, aged 57 years, 4 months, 4 days. They lived on their farm south of Osceola, Indiana, until after his death when she moved to Wakarusa.

Children:

1. Minnie Catherine Dils, born July 23, 1880.
2. Sadie Ellen Dils, born November 2, 1882; died September 11, 1883. Aged 10 months, 9 days.
3. Eva May Dils, born September 21, 1884; died February 27, 1895. Aged 10 years, 5 months, 6 days.
4. Emily Annetta Dils, born August 4, 1887; died February 28, 1895. Aged 7 years, 6 months, 24 days.
5. Alva Etta Dils, born February 26, 1889; died February 27, 1895. Aged 6 years, 1 day.
6. Willis Cornelius Dils, born July 25, 1893; died March 4, 1895. Aged 1 year, 7 months, 9 days.

(The above four children died in less than one week from diphtheria.)

7. Mary Dils, born March 6, 1896.
8. Myrtle Dils, born September 20, 1898.
9. Milroy Dils, born May 15, 1901.
10. Nelson Ray Dils, born August 2, 1903.

Fifth Generation

Minnie Catharine Dils was married October 10, 1900 to John Lantzer, born April 26, 1875, son of Frederick and Susanna (Weaver) Lantzer.

Farmer. New Paris, Indiana. Mennonite Brethren in Christ.

Children:

1. Alvin R. Lantzer, born July 27, 1902.
2. Devon E. Lantzer, born October 6, 1909.

Sixth Generation

Alvin R. Lantzer was married March 8, 1932 to Catherine E. Shantz, born March 7, 1897, daughter of Ezra and Anna M. (Loucks) Shantz.

Farmer. Goshen, Indiana. Mennonite Brethren in Christ.

To them was born:

1. Helen Irene Lantzer, born February 4, 1934; died March 6, 1934. Aged 1 month, 2 days.
2. Ray Devon Lantzer, born January 25, 1935.
3. Lee Earl Lantzer, born September 25, 1936.

Sixth Generation

Devon E. Lantzer was married May 3, 1933 to Hazel Fern Carter, born June 28, 1910, daughter of Roy Carter.

They live near Goshen, and he is at present employed by the Goshen Churn and Ladder Co.

To them was born:

1. John Roland Lantzer, born December 27, 1933.
2. Devon Ellsworth Lantzer, born August 20, 1935.

Fifth Generation

Mary Dils was married April 12, 1917 to Carl Nunemaker, born October 5, 1896, son of Levi and Barbara (Berkey) Nunemaker. He is a farmer near Wakarusa, Indiana and is a trustee of the Holdeman congregation of the Mennonite Church.

1. Ivan LaMar Nunemaker, born May 19, 1918.
2. Willis Irvin Nunemaker, born March 4, 1920.
3. John Edward Nunemaker, born November 19, 1927.

Fifth Generation

Myrtle Dils was married February 23, 1919 to Fred Matmiller. He was born July 14, 1893 and they live on a farm near Bremen, Indiana. There are no children.

Fifth Generation

Milroy Dils was married July 19, 1919 to Inez Culp, born July 2, 1903, daughter of Anthony and Alice (Shroll) Culp.

Farmer. Osceola, Indiana. Church of the Brethren.

Children:

1. Ivan Leroy Dils, born January 26, 1920; died June 16, 1920. Aged 4 months, 20 days.
2. Nelson Ray Dils, born April 12, 1921.
3. Robert Kenneth Dils, born February 16, 1923.
4. Mary Alice Dils, born February 13, 1925.
5. Erma Jean Dils, born February 17, 1927.
6. Myrtle Ann Dils, born April 18, 1929.
7. Carl Eugene Dils, born June 8, 1932.
8. Minnie Berdine Dils, born February 19, 1936.

Fifth Generation

Nelson Ray Dils was married March 26, 1936 to Hazel Canen, daughter of Rufus and Maude (Shank) Canen. Farmer. Elkhart, Indiana.

Fourth Generation

Jacob Oliver Loucks was married November 23, 1890 to Barbara Ella Anthony, born October 17, 1873, daughter of George and Louise (Hahn) Anthony. They lived on

their farm three miles west of Wakarusa, Indiana, but have for many years lived in Wakarusa.

Children, born in St. Joseph County, Indiana:

1. Bertha Ellen Loucks, born June 23, 1891.
2. Charles Allen Loucks, born May 16, 1893.

Fifth Generation

Bertha Ellen Loucks was married December 9, 1909 to Clayte Allen Stickel, born April 20, 1883, son of Jesse and Caroline (Harter) Stickel. They reside on their farm three miles west of Wakarusa.

Children:

1. Mabel Marie Stickel, born April 14, 1911.
2. Herbert Charles Stickel, born May 16, 1916.

Sixth Generation

Mabel Marie Stickel was married September 6, 1930 to Byron Everett Eslinger, born July 18, 1911, son of Irvin and Mabel (Carbiener) Eslinger.

Wakarusa, Indiana.

Children:

1. Jean Rozelle Eslinger, born May 6, 1931.
2. Billy Lee Eslinger, born September 22, 1934.

Fifth Generation

Charles Allen Loucks was married December 22, 1914 to Emma Edith Geyer, born September 25, 1891, daughter of Charles and Ida (Strope) Geyer. They lived on the J. Oliver Loucks farm three miles west of Wakarusa but later moved to Mishawaka, Indiana, where they now reside at 940 Washington Avenue.

Children:

1. Marion Russell Loucks, born August 20, 1915.
2. Gladys Fern Loucks, born August 8, 1917.
3. Robert Glenwood Loucks, born September 6, 1920.
4. Dorothy Elnora Loucks, born April 12, 1923.

Fourth Generation

Anna M. Loucks was married February 19, 1893 to Ezra Shantz, born September 12, 1869, son of John D. and Elizabeth (Steiner) Shantz. They lived on their farm two and one-half miles southwest of Wakarusa until October 14, 1907 when they moved to Baden, Ontario, where they are engaged in farming. Ezra Shantz was ordained a deacon in the Mennonite Church November 19, 1911.

Children:

1. John H. Shantz, born October 18, 1894.
2. Catherine E. Shantz, born March 7, 1897.
3. Elmer O. Shantz, born October 14, 1898.
4. Eldon R. Shantz, born December 27, 1900.
5. Jacob A. Shantz, born June 7, 1903.
6. Sarah S. Shantz, born May 30, 1906.
7. Joseph E. Shantz, born October 11, 1908.
8. Mary Magdalena Shantz, born July 16, 1913.
9. William Oliver Shantz, born May 6, 1915.

Fifth Generation

John H. Shantz was married December 28, 1921 to Ida Bechtel, born April 6, 1895, daughter of Noah and Mary (Snyder) Bechtel. They live in Kitchener, Ontario, where he is employed in a rubber factory, and are members of the Mennonite Church.

Children:

1. Infant born February 25, 1923; died February 25, 1923.
2. Anna Mae Shantz, born October 16, 1925.
3. Mary Jean Shantz, born November 29, 1927.
4. Alice Grace Shantz, born August 14, 1932.
5. John Lowell Shantz, born December 8, 1933.
6. Norma June Shantz, born June 17, 1936.

Fifth Generation

Catherine E. Shantz was married March 8, 1932 to Alvin R. Lantzer, born July 27, 1902, son of John and Minnie (Dils) Lantzer.

Farmer. Goshen, Indiana. Mennonite Brethren in Christ Church.

To them was born:

1. Helen Irene Lantzer, born February 4, 1934; died March 6, 1934. Aged 1 month, 2 days.
2. Ray Devon Lantzer, born January 25, 1935.
3. Lee Earl Lantzer, born September 25, 1936.

Fifth Generation

Elmer O. Shantz was married January 9, 1926 to Eva Bachert, born May 4, 1900, daughter of William and Elvina (Baer) Bachert.

Milk dealer. Kitchener, Ontario. Evangelical Church.

One daughter:

1. Dorothy Evangeline Shantz, born July 19, 1926.

Fifth Generation

Jacob A. Shantz was married April 6, 1927 to Nettie Groff, born April 16, 1905, daughter of Amos and Mary Ann (Shantz) Groff.

Farmer. Baden, Ontario. Mennonite Church.

Children:

1. Vernon Stanley Shantz, born September 7, 1928.
2. Glen Garland Shantz, born September 14, 1931.
3. Leon Harold Shantz, born April 8, 1935.

Fifth Generation

Sarah S. Shantz was married September 3, 1930 to Leonard Roy Horst, born January 17, 1901, son of Benjamin and Lydia Ann (Shantz) Horst.

Laborer. Breslau, Ontario. Mennonite Church.

Children:

1. Roy Donald Horst, born March 21, 1933.
2. Ralph Leonard Horst, born February 4, 1935.
3. Ruth Ilene Horst, born July 22, 1936.

Fourth Generation

Jonas Ervin Loucks was married July 6, 1895 to Susie Harrington, born June 29, 1876, daughter of Amos and Mary (Culp) Harrington. They lived on their farm two and one half miles west of Wakarusa and now reside one mile farther west.

Children:

1. Amos H. Loucks, born February 20, 1896.
2. Samantha S. Loucks, born March 13, 1898.
3. Eldon E. Loucks, born August 18, 1900.
4. Chester Loucks, born August 29, 1902.
5. Wilbur H. Loucks, born December 13, 1904.
6. Catherine M. Loucks, born December 31, 1906.
7. Mabel M. Loucks, born September 7, 1909.
8. Irvin J. Loucks, born July 22, 1919; died July 22, 1919.

Sixth Generation

Amos H. Loucks was married May 21, 1921 to Anna Darr, born January 14, 1894, daughter of John and Anna (Godshalke) Darr.

Farmer. Wakarusa, Indiana. Mennonite Brethren in Christ.

Children:

1. Maxine Joye Loucks, born April 8, 1923.
2. Deane Lincoln Loucks, born February 12, 1925.

Fifth Generation

Samantha S. Loucks was married February 6, 1919 to Ivo Lienhart, son of Eckhard and Lydia (Best) Lienhart. They live in Wakarusa where he had been for a number of years fireman for the Wakarusa Milling Company.

Children:

1. Ellsworth Wayne Lienhart, born August 14, 1919.
2. Mildred Clarine Lienhart, born January 19, 1921.
3. Harriet Marie Lienhart, born February 1, 1923.

Fifth Generation

Eldon E. Loucks was married March 4, 1927 to Nora Viola Kline. She was born June 26, 1901 and died April 23, 1930. Eldon E. Loucks was married the second time in September, 1932 to Mary Monhaut, born September 12, 1905, daughter of Felix and Emma Monhaut. They live on the Jonas Loucks farm west of Wakarusa, Indiana.

Children:

1. John Richard Loucks, born December 17, 1933.
2. Joan Loucks, April 4, 1934.

Fifth Generation

Chester Loucks was married September 16, 1926 to Alma Mae Fredericks. She was born near Birds, Illinois April 23, 1907, and died January 31, 1927.

Chester Loucks was married the second time on June 11, 1933 to Gertrude Pomeroy, born January 7, 1907.

Forest Ranger. Twin Falls, Idaho. (His address constantly changes.)

Fifth Generation

Wilbur H. Loucks was married September 11, 1929 to Hazel Tenoir Sudderth, born May 16, 1907.

Farmer. Twin Falls, Idaho.

They have one son:

1. Wilbur Leon Loucks, born February 12, 1935.

Fifth Generation

Catherine M. Loucks was married June 30, 1927 to Lawrence Paul Rouch, born September 28, 1903, son of John Rouch.

Farmer. Bremen, Indiana, R. R. Mennonite Brethren in Christ Church.

Children:

1. Clarice Opal Rouch, born March 24, 1928.
2. Lavere John Rouch, born April 8, 1930.
3. Elwood Paul Rouch, born August 4, 1935.

Third Generation

Mary Freed was married November 9, 1862 to Anthony Wisler, born August 8, 1838, son of John and Sophia (Stauffer) Wisler. Anthony and Mary (Freed) Wisler lived in Locke Township, Elkhart County, Indiana, on part of the old Freed homestead until May 1, 1886, when the family moved to Harper County, Kansas, where they spent the remainder of their lives. They drove to Kansas on wagons, the journey requiring six weeks. They were members of the Mennonite Church.

Children:

1. Sophia Adelida Wisler, born August 4, 1863; died September 18, 1930. Aged 67 years, 1 month, 14 days.
2. Margaret Alzina Wisler, born June 26, 1865.
3. Lydia Almeda Wisler, born December 21, 1866; died January 30, 1902. Aged 35 years, 1 month, 9 days.
4. Henry Owen Wisler, born June 27, 1870; died July, 1870.
5. Henrietta Armina Wisler, born September 6, 1872; died January 5, 1914. Aged 41 years, 3 months, 29 days.
6. Cornelius Orlando Wisler, born December 10, 1874.
7. Ella Aveline Wisler, born November 12, 1878.
8. Nellie Angeline Wisler, born November 12, 1878.

Fourth Generation

Sophia Adelida Wisler was married December 25, 1889 at Harper, Kansas, to Isaac Holdeman, son of John and Hettie (Eicher) Holdeman. They lived on a farm near Harper, Kansas.

Fourth Generation

Margaret Alzina Wisler was married February 7, 1889 to Ulysses Grant Challis, born February 4, 1868 in Kansas, son of John and Rosina (Parker) Challis. He died November 17, 1919, aged 51 years, 9 months, 13 days. They lived on a farm near Harper, Kansas, and were members of the Mennonite Brethren in Christ Church. Margaret Alzina (Wisler) Challis now lives near Hinton, Oklahoma.

Children, born near Harper, Kansas:

1. John Leroy Challis, born January 25, 1890.
2. Leo Christiana Challis, born May 7, 1891.
3. Lida Winnifred Challis, born March 28, 1893.
4. Ulysses Anthony Challis, born May 25, 1895.
5. Omer Eugene Challis, born May 25, 1897.

6. Olian Louis Challis, born December 4, 1901.
7. Virgil Burtis Challis, born November 7, 1903.

Fifth Generation

John Leroy Challis was married July 28, 1921 to Ruby Jane Pedigo, born January 8, 1904 in Kentucky, daughter of Lincoln and Lucy (Atwell) Pedigo.

Farmer. Hinton, Oklahoma. Baptist.

Children, born near Hinton, Oklahoma:

1. John Leroy Challis, Jr., born June 5, 1923.
2. Thelma Arlene Challis, born March 3, 1926.
3. Loucile Margaret Challis, born June 20, 1927.
4. Iona Winnifred Challis, born December 31, 1928.
5. Grant Lincoln Challis, born May 20, 1933.
6. Norma Gene Challis, born May 18, 1934.
7. Ruby Lee Challis, born April 16, 1935.

Fifth Generation

Leo Christiana Challis was married March 21, 1909 to M. C. Hatfield, born March 24, 1876 in Missouri, son of Jacob and Martha (Pettet) Hatfield.

Farmer. Ontario, Oregon. Pentecostal Church.

Children:

1. Bessie Twila Hatfield, born July 28, 1911 near Hinton, Oklahoma.
2. Walter Eugene Hatfield, born September 29, 1913 near Redman, Oregon.
3. Cora Marie Hatfield, born September 16, 1915 near Redman, Oregon.
4. John M. C. Hatfield, born October 7, 1917 near Nyssa, Oregon.
5. Jessie Grant Hatfield, born August 29, 1919 near Nyssa, Oregon.
6. Harvey Louis Hatfield, born December 4, 1921 near Nyssa, Oregon.
7. Claude Herschel Hatfield, born September 4, 1926 near Nyssa, Oregon.
8. Cloyce L. Hatfield, born December 28, 1928 near Nyssa, Oregon.

Sixth Generation

Walter Eugene Hatfield was married April 6, 1935 to Iris Wisloy, born December 11, 1919 in Oregon, daughter of Roy and Anna (Karlos) Wisloy. Their address is Ontario, Oregon.

Children:

1. Clessa Dena Hatfield, born May 22, 1936.

Sixth Generation

Cora Marie Hatfield was married November 27, 1934 to Thomas Spencer, born March 30, 1911 in Idaho, son of M. N. and Amanda (Thompson) Spencer. The address is Ontario, Oregon.

Children:

1. Ulysses Eugene Spencer, born September 14, 1935.

Fifth Generation

Lida Winnifred Challis was married April 15, 1926 to Johnson Lafayette Stanfill, born February 21, 1885 near Williamsburg, Kentucky, son of Lewis and Elizabeth (Lay) Stanfill.

Farmer. Hydro, Oklahoma. Methodist.

Children, born near Hydro, Oklahoma:

1. Anna Ruth Stanfill, born February 15, 1927.
2. Nina Elizabeth Stanfill, born November 1, 1928.
3. Lafayette Lewis Stanfill, born July 4, 1930; died October 4, 1931.
4. Grant Challis Stanfill, born July 8, 1932.
5. Hiram Stanfill, born June 11, 1934.

Fifth Generation

Ulysses Anthony Challis was married February 12, 1921 to Mae Grace Clark, born December 15, 1900 in Kansas, daughter of Ray and Sarah (Dillon) Clark.

Farmer. Clinton, Oklahoma.

Children, born near Hinton, Oklahoma:

1. Raymon Anthony Challis, born September 14, 1921.
2. Louis Everett Challis, born January 16, 1923.
3. Sarah Alzina Challis, born August 1, 1925.
4. Ulysses Albert Challis, born January 18, 1927.
5. Ella Mae Challis, born April 3, 1928.
6. Jimmie Grant Challis, born March 25, 1929.
7. Mary Frances Challis, born August 20, 1931.
8. Leota Pearl Challis, born September 4, 1933.
9. Helen Marie Challis, born July 24, 1935.

Fifth Generation

Omer Eugene Challis was married December 26, 1929 to Florence Walker, born August 27, 1900 in Kansas, daughter of John and Mary Ann (Morgan) Walker.

Farmer. Hinton, Oklahoma.

Children, born near Hinton, Oklahoma:

1. Gladys Marie Challis, born July 27, 1932.
2. John Ray Challis, born October 25, 1934.

Fifth Generation

Olian Louis Challis was married March 17, 1926 to Lera Wilcoxson, born August 27, 1906 in Kentucky, daughter of Greenwood and Dora (Pedigo) Wilcoxson.

Farmer. Geary, Oklahoma.

Children:

1. Dorothy Virginia Challis, born July 12, 1927 near Hinton, Oklahoma.
2. Billie Ray Challis, born October 16, 1935 near Geary, Oklahoma.

Fifth Generation

Virgil Burtis Challis was married October 7, 1925 to Ruby Lee Walker, born March 23, 1906 at Hinton Oklahoma, daughter of John and Mary Ann (Morgan) Walker.

Service station manager. Hinton, Oklahoma.

Children, born at Hinton, Oklahoma:

1. Oran Virgil Challis, born March 25, 1926.
2. Mildred Challis, born June 11, 1927.
3. Mary Ann Challis, born March 22, 1930.
4. Virgil Lee Challis, born September 15, 1935.

Fourth Generation

Lydia Almeda Wisler was married February 8, 1891 to Francis Marion Brooks, born February 6, 1869 in Warren County, Illinois, son of James and Margaret Jane (Adams) Brooks.

Farmer. Carmen, Oklahoma.

Children:

1. George Samuel Brooks, born November 11, 1891 in Harper County, Kansas.
2. Joseph Orval Brooks, born September 3, 1894 in Harper County, Kansas.
3. Ralph Otis Brooks, born February 13, 1897 in Harper County, Kansas.
4. Thelma Erva Brooks, born September 4, 1901 in Alfalfa County, Oklahoma.

Fifth Generation

George Samuel Brooks was married March 3, 1913 to Ruby Renneau, born December 20, 1893 in Alfalfa County,

Oklahoma, daughter of James R. and Jane (Hager) Renneau. They lived in Alfalfa County, Oklahoma.

Children:

1. Lillie Marie Brooks, born July 19, 1915 in Union County, New Mexico; died June 20, 1932. Aged 16 years, 11 months, 1 day.
2. Mildred Estelle Brooks, born August 3, 1917 in Union County, New Mexico.
3. Evelyn Faye Brooks, born October 20, 1919 at Carmen, Oklahoma.
4. James Francis Brooks, born August 23, 1922 in Union County, New Mexico.

George Samuel Brooks was married May 28, 1927 to Winnie Lou Beauchamp, born July 12, 1909 in Athens, Texas, daughter of Henry and Alvenia (Clark) Beauchamp.

Service station operator. Maxwell, New Mexico.

Children, born at Clayton, New Mexico:

1. Erva Vay Brooks, born September 15, 1928.
2. Colleen Lavoyce Brooks, born September 24, 1931.

Fifth Generation

Joseph Orval Brooks was married April 4, 1915 to Jennie M. Jenlink, born July 7, 1895, daughter of Minnie Jenlink.

Farmer and car dealer. Carmen, Oklahoma.

Children, born at Carmen, Oklahoma:

1. Melvin Lee Brooks, born November 7, 1915.
2. Lois Lyleene Brooks, born December 2, 1919.

Fifth Generation

Ralph Otis Brooks was married September 8, 1921 to Pearl Griffin, born May 29, 1899 at Carmen, Oklahoma, daughter of William A. and Nettie C. (Hayden) Griffin.

Torch solderer. 2723 Wabash, Kansas City, Missouri.

Children:

1. Sylva Pearl Brooks, born February 2, 1922 at Carmen, Oklahoma.
2. Marjorie Jane Brooks, born February 24, 1925 at Kansas City, Missouri.
3. Ralph Otis Brooks, born March 4, 1927 at Kansas City, Missouri.
4. Larry Leroy Brooks, born September 25, 1935 at Kansas City, Missouri.

Fifth Generation

Thelma Erva Brooks was married November 23, 1921 to John Schallner, born May 18, 1897 at McWillie, Oklahoma, son of Wilhelm and Josephine (Wolf) Schallner.

Implement dealer. Farley, New Mexico.

Children:

1. Almeda Josephine Schallner, born November 13, 1922 at McWillie, Oklahoma.
2. Grace Winnifred Schallner, born October 25, 1925 at Carmen, Oklahoma.
3. Thelma Jean Schallner, born September 21, 1927 at Carmen, Oklahoma.
4. Jackie Lee Schallner, born September 2, 1931 at Clayton, New Mexico.

Fourth Generation

Henrietta Armina Wisler was married February 4, 1885 to Daniel Adams, born April 14, 1872 at Springfield, Illinois, son of Allen and Margaret (Galbreathe) Adams.

Farmer. Harper, Kansas. Presbyterian.

Children:

1. Chloe Azilka Adams, born April 13, 1886.
2. Guy Mervin Adams, born December 24, 1893; died April 15, 1930. Aged 36 years, 3 months, 21 days.
3. Clyde Anthony Adams, born April 28, 1896.
4. Glenn Chester Adams, born February 2, 1898.
5. Helen Beneta Adams, born June 21, 1901.
6. Daniel Clarence Adams, born September 29, 1904.
7. Vern Otis Adams, born December 6, 1910.

The above were all born at Harper, Kansas, excepting Daniel Clarence, born at Adams, Kansas, and Vern Otis, born at Duquesne, Kansas.

Fifth Generation

Chloe Azilka Adams was married September 29, 1909 to Andrew J. Allen, born July 4, 1886 at New Douglas, Illinois, son of Thomas and Martha (Caulk) Allen.

Contractor. 14 Westminster, Venice, California. Methodist.

Children:

1. Reva Marie Allen, born September 25, 1911 at Harper, Kansas.
2. Donald Fielding Allen, born May 2, 1914 at Duquesne, Kansas.

Sixth Generation

Reva Marie Allen was married June 21, 1931 to James Hill Ashforth, born July 23, 1908 in Scotland, son of Walter and Agnes (Walker) Ashforth.

Salesman. Venice, California. Presbyterian.

One son:

1. James Walter Ashforth, born May 24, 1933 in Inglewood, California.

Sixth Generation

Donald Fielding Allen was married June 20, 1936 to Ruth Dahlem, born August 23, 1915 at Cedar Rapids, Iowa, daughter of Daniel Stauffer and Florence (Witte) Dahlem.

Aircraft painter. Venice, California. Methodist.

Fifth Generation

Guy Mervin Adams was married February 16, 1919 to Hazel Brown, born November 27, 1891, daughter of William and Mary (Darrough) Brown.

Street Car employee. Harper, Kansas. United Presbyterian.

No children.

Fifth Generation

Clyde Anthony Adams was married July 4, 1921 to Lela Morgan, born July 1, 1903, daughter of Lee and Etta (Smith) Morgan.

Shipping clerk. 436 N. Dodge St., Wichita, Kansas.

One daughter was born:

1. Delores Enid Adams, born June 8, 1926.

Fifth Generation

Glenn Chester Adams was married March 5, 1922 to Pearl Morrow, born September 24, 1903 at Buffalo, Missouri, daughter of Charles and Hester (Hildebrand) Morrow.

Salesman. Venice, California. Baptist.

Children:

1. Virginia Lavonne Adams, born September 11, 1924 at Dodge City, Kansas.
2. Eugene Charles Adams, born October 12, 1933 at Wichita, Kansas.

Fifth Generation

Helen Beneta Adams was married February 4, 1918 to Walter Hartwick.

One son was born:

1. Paul Leroy Hartwick, born December 2, 1919 at Harper, Kansas.

Helen Beneta was married to Stack. She operates a Beauty Salon at Washington, D. C.

Fifth Generation

Daniel Clarence Adams was married June 24, 1925 in Wichita, Kansas to Dawn Ilda Snyder, born March 26, 1907, daughter of Jack and Minnie (Pratsman) Snyder. He has been employed by a Gas Company in Wichita since 1920. They live in Wichita, Kansas.

Children:

1. Beatrice Anne Adams, born April 19, 1929.
2. Richard Lee Adams, born June 9, 1933.

Fifth Generation

Vern Otis Adams was married February 20, 1932 in Wichita, Kansas, to Hazel Dell Walters, born October 15, 1909, daughter of Danner and Maud (Bartlett) Walters of Whirlwater, Kansas.

Oil blender. 429 Lulu St., Wichita, Kansas.

Children:

1. Connie Lou Adams, born January 31, 1933.
2. Danny James Adams, born February 1, 1937.

Fourth Generation

Cornelius Orlando Wisler was married December 31, 1899 at Cherokee, Oklahoma to Bertha May Miller, born May 13, 1880 at Jeffersonville, Ohio, daughter of Nathan and Louise (Bush) Miller. She died October 20, 1924 at Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, aged 44 years, 5 months, 7 days.

Cornelius Orlando is a minister of the Gospel. He united in 1894 with the Mennonite Brethren in Christ Church, and served in the ministry of that denomination from 1896 until 1912. In 1905 he organized the M. B. C. Church near Weatherford, Oklahoma. During several of these years he was in the telephone business at Bridgeport, Oklahoma. He united in 1913 with the Church of the Nazarene and has held many pastorates in Oklahoma, Missouri, Kansas, and Nebraska. For several years previous to 1929 he had to discontinue ministerial work on account of failing health, but in that year began home missionary work in Manitoba, Canada, and held pastorates in Winnipeg and in Emerson, Manitoba. He has also been engaged in evangelistic work,

and is a commissioned evangelist of the Western Oklahoma district of the Church of the Nazarene. He was ordained in 1925.

Children:

1. Charles Clifton Wisler, born January 12, 1901 at Harper, Kansas.
2. Letita Gwendolyn Wisler, born February 18, 1902 at Harper, Kansas.
3. Grace Ella Wisler, born December 20, 1903 at Hydro, Oklahoma.

Fifth Generation

Charles Clifton Wisler was married July 28, 1925 to Lucille Sunshine McCormick, born December 12, 1901 at Danville, Illinois, daughter of Bernard and Rachel Jane (Nelson) McCormick. She is a graduate of Oklahoma City University with the B. Mus. degree, and is a teacher of piano. Charles Clifton Wisler is a graduate of Bethany-Peniel College, and of Oklahoma City University with the B. A. degree. He is an accountant for the Southwestern Bell Telephone Co. They live at Bethany, a suburb of Oklahoma City, and are members of the Nazarene Church.

Children, born at Oklahoma City:

1. Charles Clifton Wisler, Jr., born June 5, 1926.
2. Earl Clifford Wisler, born October 27, 1927.
3. Racille Mae Wisler, born August 18, 1929.
4. Robert Bernard Wisler, born February 10, 1936.

Fifth Generation

Letita Gwendolyn Wisler was married April 30, 1927 to Paul J. Selman, born September 23, 1903 at Leedey, Oklahoma, son of J. E. and Mary C. (Lawson) Selman. He graduated in 1926 from the Southwestern Oklahoma Teachers' College with the Bachelor of Science degree, and has been superintendent of schools at Arnet (1926-28), Vinson (1928-34), and Duke (1934-36) Oklahoma. Letita G. (Wisler) Selman taught high school English at the same time in the above places. They are members of the Baptist Church.

Fifth Generation

Grace Ella Wisler was married June 3, 1926 to Richard Gerald Johnson, born August 12, 1898 at Burnett, Texas, son of Richard B. and Arthusia Ann (Barker) Johnson. He had been a teacher at Marlow, Oklahoma, and was a soldier in the World War. He enlisted March, 1918, sailed for

France July, 1918, and returned to U. S. June 8, 1919. He served with the 36th Division, Meuse-Argonne Sector, and was shell shocked in battle. Grace Ella (Wisler) Johnson had been a public school teacher at Brinkman, Walters, and Hollis, Oklahoma. They live at 2411 N. W. 11th St., Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, and are in the grocery business. They are members of the Methodist Church, South.

Children:

1. Margie Faye Johnson, born November 9, 1929.
2. Donna Jean Johnson, born October 3, 1936.

Fourth Generation

Ella Aveline Wisler was married April 13, 1898 to Clarence Miller, born August 15, 1841 in Ohio, son of Nathan and Louise (Bush) Miller. He died March 18, 1924. They lived on a farm near Cherokee, Oklahoma, and were members of the Christian Church.

Children:

1. Harry Edgar Miller, born January 23, 1899 at Harper, Kansas.
2. Vern Albert Miller, born May 29, 1905 at Cherokee, Oklahoma; died September 26, 1922. He was instantly killed in an automobile accident.

Fifth Generation

Harry Edgar Miller was married February 9, 1921 to Sara Elizabeth Williamson, born November 10, 1898, at Wheatland, Indiana, daughter of Edward Lyn and Lovina (Bonewitz) Williamson. Farmer. Methodist.

Children:

1. Harry Milan Miller, Jr., born November, 1921; died at birth.
2. Vivian Eloise Miller, born February 19, 1924.
3. Twila Ernestine Miller, born December 23, 1925.
4. Minta Oneta Miller, born August 19, 1928.
5. Ella Avon Miller, born November, 1930.

Fourth Generation

Nellie Angeline Wisler was married December 25, 1900 at Harper, Kansas to John Thomas White, born March 10, 1871, son of John and Lucinda (Hall) White. He has been a barber for the last thirty-six years, and owns his own shop at 327 North Main Street, Wichita, Kansas. They live at 756 South Lorraine St., Wichita, Kansas.

One son was born:

1. Otis Irwin White, born November 3, 1901 at Danville, Kansas.

Fifth Generation

Otis Irwin White was married October 18, 1920 in Wichita, Kansas, to Margie May Graves, born August 9, 1902, daughter of Dee and Mary (Bellamy) Graves. He is foreman of the stock department and of the shipping department of the Coleman Lamp & Stove Co. of Wichita, and has been with this firm since 1923. They live at 756 South Lorraine St., Wichita, Kansas.

Children, born at Wichita, Kansas:

1. Otis Irwin White, Jr., born August 25, 1921.
2. Glyda Marie White, born December 19, 1922.

Third Generation

Christiana Freed, the youngest daughter of Jacob and Margaret Freed, was born November 9, 1850, near Winesburg, Holmes County, Ohio, and died January 16, 1917.

At the age of one year she moved with her parents to Elkhart County, near Wakarusa, Indiana. In this moving, which was done on a large wagon, a large family clock was brought along; it is still in the family. She was married January 2, 1870, to Joseph Landis, son of Daniel and Mary (Landis) Landis, born near Riversticks, Medina County, Ohio, April 30, 1843, and died March 28, 1909. They both died on the home one and one-half miles south of Wakarusa, on part of the farm which Grandfather Freed purchased in 1852. Joseph was a blacksmith in his younger years, and continued this work to some extent all his life; he was also a farmer. He united with the Mennonite Church when a young man, and remained faithful to the end.

Christiana was named after her grandmother Holde-
man. She was always very fond of reading and writing, and did much of it, especially in her later years. Her essays are full of sunshine and wholesome truths, and her biographical sketches contain valuable information. Her articles presenting reminiscences of the pioneer days are very interesting as well as useful. Not only did she have literary talent, but was gifted in speaking, and especially in conducting children's meetings. She united with the Mennonite Church in her teens, and remained a devoted member.

One daughter was born to Joseph and Christiana (Freed) Landis:

1. Rhoda Priscilla Landis, born January 8, 1876.

Fourth Generation

Rhoda Landis was married September 21, 1895 to Jacob I. Weldy, born December 31, 1871, son of John K. and Susan (Mumaw) Weldy. He was ordained a deacon of the Holdeman congregation, near Wakarusa, Indiana, February 8, 1913. He also taught many singing schools at different places in Illinois, Michigan, and Indiana. She united with the Mennonite Church while in her teens, he at the age of twenty. They live on their farm one mile south of Wakarusa.

Children:

1. Arthur Willis Weldy, born June 26, 1896.
2. Bertha Violet Weldy, born April 2, 1900.
3. Eldon Joseph Weldy, born June 1, 1906.
4. Myron Demas Weldy, born June 7, 1910.
5. Dwight Eugene Weldy, born January 10, 1918.

Dwight Eugene Weldy is a student at Goshen College. He is a member of the Mennonite Church, having united at the age of 10 years.

Fifth Generation

Arthur Willis Weldy was married April 14, 1917 to Martha Catharine Holdeman, born March 2, 1900, daughter of Abner and Emma (Dodge) Holdeman. He united with the Mennonite Church at the age of ten years, and has been active in religious work with children and young people. He is also a song leader and has conducted singing schools. They live on part of the Freed homestead, later the Joseph Landis home, one and one-half miles south of Wakarusa, and are engaged in farming.

Children:

1. Lois Fern Weldy, born February 17, 1918.
2. Vivian Luella Weldy, born December 15, 1919.
3. Mearl Clayton Weldy, born March 15, 1922.
4. Verna Faye Weldy, born June 1, 1926.
5. Max Kieth Weldy, born January 31, 1936.

Fifth Generation

Bertha Violet Weldy was married on September 6, 1919 to Earl Harter, born October 5, 1897, son of John and Anna (Lechlitner) Harter. They are engaged in farming

near Wakarusa, Indiana, and are members of the Mennonite Church.

Children :

1. Miriam Rozetta Harter, born July 1, 1920.
2. Violet Vernice Harter, born June 26, 1922.
3. Letha Marie Harter, born July 26, 1924.
4. Wayne Eugene Harter, born November 19, 1932.

Fifth Generation

Eldon Joseph Weldy was married October 14, 1928 to Lucile L. Martin, born June 23, 1911, daughter of Jonas and Ida (Holmes) Martin. He united with the Mennonite Church at the age of nine years. He has been since 1925 a public school teacher in Harrison Township, Elkhart County, and in Marshall County. They live in Bremen, Indiana.

Children :

1. Norma Jean Weldy, born August 26, 1929.
2. Theron Jay Weldy, born October 16, 1934.

Fifth Generation

Myron Demas Weldy was married June 10, 1934, to Cleo Frances Weaver, born November 11, 1911, daughter of William and Anna (Good) Weaver. He was baptized and united with the Mennonite Church at the age of eight. He taught school in Harrison Township, Elkhart County, and in 1934 became a teacher in the South Bend, Indiana, school system. He received the B. A. degree from Manchester College in 1936. They live in South Bend.

JACOB HOLDEMAN FAMILY

Second Generation

JACOB HOLDEMAN was married to Eleanor Barrick. In her Bible, which was later owned by her granddaughter, Eleanor Holdeman Rynearson, a small slip of paper contains the following statement: "Jacob Barrick was born December 4, 1781, and died May 26, 1843; Elizabeth Barrick was born November 8, 1784." These were almost certainly the parents of Eleanor Barrick. Although Jacob Holdeman undoubtedly accompanied the family from New Britain Township, Bucks County, Pennsylvania, to Columbiana County, Ohio, and from there to Wayne County, Ohio, he seems after marriage to have lived in Columbiana County, for there his children are reported to have been born.

Jacob Holdeman had the name of his grandfather, and is said to have been the favorite son and the most intelligent in his father's family. He became interested in the temperance movement, and, being a good speaker, made speeches on behalf of the cause. He is said to have been also a school teacher. Physically he was a strong man.

Jacob and Eleanor (Barrick) Holdeman came to Elkhart County, Indiana, and then settled in Mishawaka, Indiana, and later in Niles, Michigan. In both of the latter towns he operated a small hotel and tavern. Our information concerning his life is scant, but he made an unprofitable investment in what was known as the Fuller property in Niles, and later died a poor and homeless man at the home of his brother, Joseph Holdeman. He died April 13, 1868, aged 56 years, 5 months, and 10 days. He is buried beside his mother, who had died three years before, in the old cemetery at the Yellow Creek Mennonite Church. After his death Eleanor Barrick Holdeman stayed for a time at Edwardsburg, Michigan, with her daughter, Matilda.

Children of Jacob and Eleanor (Barrick) Holdeman, born in Columbiana County, Ohio:

1. Lewis Ziglar Holdeman, born February 20, 1836 at Georgetown, Ohio; died November 13, 1884. Aged 48 years, 8 months, 23 days.

2. Lycurgus Holdeman, born _____ —, 1839; died January 16, 1864. Aged 25 years.
3. Matilda Holdeman, born _____ —, 1843; died December 30, 1912. Aged 69 years.
4. Jacob Holdeman, born _____ —, 1845; died September 3, 1901. Aged 56 years.

Third Generation

Lewis Ziglar Holdeman was married August 31, 1856 in Niles, Michigan; to Sarah Deette Mangas, daughter of Daniel and Rebecca (Helm) Mangas. She was born in Niles, Michigan, July 27, 1842, and died in Hammond, Louisiana, at the home of her daughter, Fannie Smythe, May 4, 1930; aged 87 years, 9 months, and 7 days. Lewis worked for the town of Niles until the West called, when he loaded his family, wife and four children, and his household effects into a "Prairie Schooner" and drove oxen through rough trails and in rainy weather to a farm near Independence, Iowa. The trip took six weeks. They farmed until cancer ruined his health, when they moved to Iowa City, Iowa, where he died.

Children:

1. Arthur Perry Holdeman, born September 1, 1857 in Niles, Michigan.
2. Mary Elma Holdeman, born July 19, 1860 in Niles, Michigan.
3. Jesse Holdeman, born March 11, 1862 in Niles, Michigan.
4. Pamela Holdeman, born December 1, 1864 in Niles, Michigan; died September 17, 1865.
5. Frank Ardell Holdeman, born July 14, 1866 in Niles, Michigan; died in Cedar Rapids, Iowa, May 1, 1900; aged 33 years, 9 months, 17 days.
6. Fred Holdeman, born September 3, 1868 in Independence, Iowa; died in Peoria, Illinois, January 6, 1914; aged 45 years, 4 months, 3 days.
7. Eva May Holdeman, born December 12, 1870 in Independence, Iowa; died March 3, 1871.
8. Helen Lucinda Holdeman, born September 21, 1872 in Independence, Iowa; died August 30, 1873.
9. Florence Holdeman, born May 16, 1874 in Independence, Iowa.

10. Fannie Belle Holdeman, born January 22, 1880 in Independence, Iowa.
11. Lewis Melvin Holdeman, born October 18, 1882 in Independence, Iowa.

Fourth Generation

Mary Elma Holdeman was married in 1882 to Dr. Appleton Reuben Stevens of Independence, Iowa; they later moved to Watertown, New York. Four children were born, all of whom died in infancy. In 1896 she was divorced from Dr. Stevens and nursed several years in Iowa City, Iowa; Peoria, Illinois; and Muscatine, Iowa; at the latter place she met George Hartman, born August 20, 1861, son of Henry and Katherine Hartman. They were married August 9, 1923. He had followed the carpenter's trade. They live at 120 Cook Street, Muscatine, Iowa, and are affiliated with the Methodist Church.

Fourth Generation

Jesse Holdeman was married in 1885 to Julia Zilpha Hinkley, born October 6, 1862, daughter of Samuel and Adaline (Perkins) Hinkley at Iowa City, Iowa. He was a contractor and builder and has been Mayor of Lone Tree, Iowa, where they live.

Children:

1. Glen Deette Holdeman, born September 1, 1886.
2. Berna Hinkley Holdeman, born April 17, 1888.
3. Lillian Beryl Holdeman, born October 12, 1889.
4. Harley Ziglar Holdeman, born March 19, 1891.
5. Elizabeth Marie Holdeman, born September 15, 1892.
6. Elsie Holdeman, born January 25, 1894.
7. Lucy Laurel Holdeman, born August 2, 1895.
8. Perry Samuel Holdeman, born June 21, 1897.
9. Zilpha Holdeman, born May 21, 1899; died March 16, 1900.
10. Vernon Holdeman, born June 7, 1901.
11. Leslie Holdeman, born December 22, 1902.
12. Kenneth Holdeman, born September 12, 1905.

Fifth Generation

Glen Deette Holdeman was married November 29, 1906 to Roy Huffman, born October 9, 1884, son of Samuel F. and Lillian (McVickor) Huffman. He is an electrician in shops in Rock Island, Illinois, where they live.

They have one daughter:

1. Alice E. Huffman, born June 26, 1917.

Fifth Generation

Berna Hinkley Holdeman, unmarried, is a teacher. In 1910 she graduated from the Iowa Wesleyan College, and has taught in the public schools of Lone Tree, Iowa; Rock Island, Illinois; and Davenport, Iowa. Her permanent address is 721 22nd Street, Rock Island, Illinois. She is a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

Fifth Generation

Lillian Beryl Holdeman was married February 23, 1912 to Glen Burr, born April 30, 1887, son of Levi and Elizabeth Burr. They are prosperous farmers near Lone Tree, Iowa.

Children:

1. Loren Burr, born March 14, 1913.
2. Zilpha Burr, born February 12, 1914.
3. Florence Burr, born November 9, 1916.

Sixth Generation

Zilpha Burr was married April 16, 1935 to Karl Kirk.

They have a son:

1. Karl Dallas Kirk, born August 31, 1936.

Fifth Generation

Harley Ziglar Holdeman was married April 3, 1913 to Golda Pike, born November 9, 1893, daughter of Elmer and Mary Pike.

Farmer. Nichols, Iowa.

Children:

1. Udell Holdeman, born October 23, 1915.
2. Margaret Holdeman, born March 1, 1918.

Sixth Generation

Udell Holdeman was married April 3, 1936 to Avis McMichael.

Fifth Generation

Elizabeth Marie Holdeman was married January 10, 1920 to Claude Earl Bowman, born February 15, 1892 at Sedalia, Missouri, son of Joseph Allen and Frances Emily (Winkler) Bowman.

Machinist. Rock Island, Illinois.

They have two daughters:

1. Ilda Ferne Bowman, born October 19, 1921.
2. Helen Vonne Bowman, born June 3, 1923.

Fifth Generation

Elsie Holdeman was married October 8, 1913 to Elroy M. Case, born July 7, 1890, son of Obe and Ella Case.

Railroad engineer. Des Moines, Iowa.

Children:

1. Donna Irene Case born March 7,
2. Robert Elroy Case, October 19, 1923.

Fifth Generation

Lucy Laurel Holdeman was married August 3, 1923 to Gildra Kirchner, born March 11, 1898, son of Fred and Anna Kirchner.

Garage Owner. Lone Tree, Iowa.

They have a pair of twins:

1. Don Kirchner, born April 21, 1931.
2. Gwendolyn Kirchner, born April 21, 1931.

Fifth Generation

Perry Samuel Holdeman was married May 25, 1921 to Esther Robinson, born February 22, 1906, daughter of John and Lena Robinson. He had rendered military service during the World War. He enlisted in the army on April 19, 1917, and went to France soon after, where he remained until the close of the war. He was honorably discharged May 7, 1919.

Painter. Lone Tree, Iowa.

Children:

1. Geraldine Holdeman, born April 30, 1922.
2. Richard Holdeman, born October 3, 1923.
3. John Holdeman, born October 27, 1931.

Fifth Generation

Vernon Holdeman was married in April, 1915 to Virginia Holyoke, daughter of Edward and Loretta Holyoke. He is manager of a general store in Lone Tree, Iowa.

Children:

1. Robert Holdeman, born November 4, 1928.
2. Nanette Holdeman, born October 17, 1932.

Fifth Generation

Leslie Holdeman was married April 1, 1924 to Muriel Fry, born November 2, 1903, daughter of Frank and Matilda Fry. At the time of marriage he was a student of engineering at Iowa University.

Mechanical engineer. Kansas City, Kansas.

They have a son:

1. Leslie Holdeman, Jr., born January 5, 1925.

Fifth Generation

Kenneth Holdeman was married April 20, 1930 to Theresa Shuman of Georgia, born September 14, 1905. He had been in the moving picture business in Atlanta, Georgia, but they now live in Miami, Florida.

They have a son:

1. Kenneth Holdeman, Jr., born January 19, 1933.

Fourth Generation

Frank Ardell Holdeman was a farmer. He was kicked by a horse, and died several days later from injuries received. His death occurred in a hospital at Cedar Rapids, Iowa, and he was buried at Lone Tree, Iowa. He was unmarried.

Fourth Generation

Fred Holdeman was married September 25, 1898 to Frank Hamilton of Lone Tree, Iowa. He had been a soldier in the Spanish-American War, having enlisted June 21, 1898 in Co. "I" 50th Infantry Iowa Volunteers, and was mustered out November 30, 1898 at Des Moines, Iowa. He then spent the remainder of his life as a street car motorman in Peoria, Illinois. Frank Hamilton Holdeman now resides in the St. Joseph Home, 405 Smith Street, Peoria, Illinois, and plans to remain there the remainder of her life.

One son was born:

1. Donald Hamilton Holdeman, born February 28, 1899.

Fifth Generation

Donald Hamilton Holdeman was married August 5, 1924 to Mabel M. Erwin of Tiskilwa, Illinois, born March 2, 1899, daughter of John H. and Johanna (Mahney) Erwin. He is owner of the Peoria Type Setting Company, located at 312 Harrison Street, Peoria, Illinois, and is a member of the Peoria Chamber of Commerce. Their present address is 936 West Wilcox Avenue, Peoria, Illinois. There are no descendants. *

Fourth Generation

Florence Holdeman was married October 29, 1902 in Peoria, Illinois to George W. Piper, a hardware merchant, son of John and Charity Piper of Canton, Illinois where they made their home until his death January 25, 1923.

* This information was secured by C. Warren Long, Peoria, Illinois.

Mrs. Piper's present address is Hammond, Louisiana.

One son was born:

1. George Lewis Piper, born March 22, 1904.

Fourth Generation

Fannie Belle Holdeman was married October 23, 1902 to Thomas Lester Smythe, civil engineer and timber estimator, son of John and Sauzaune (Lester) Smythe. Before marriage she had been a bookkeeper for a lumber company. They lived in Hammond, Louisiana, where she still resides.

Children:

1. Sara Smythe, born September 9, 1903 in Rochelle, Louisiana.
2. Yule Margaret Smythe, born December 25, 1908 in Hammond, Louisiana.
3. Sauzaune Smythe, born December 16, 1911 in Hammond, Louisiana.
4. John Lewis Smythe, born September 15, 1914 in Hammond, Louisiana; died February 28, 1915.
5. Fannie Elizabeth Smythe, born March 16, 1916 in Hammond, Louisiana.
6. Thomas Leonard Smythe, born September 27, 1921 in Hammond, Louisiana.

Fifth Generation

Yule Margaret Smythe was married June 23, 1933 to Gordon Ferral Grace, son of Robert B. and Lula Mae (Dick) Grace of Hammond, Louisiana.

Fifth Generation

Sauzaune Smythe was married June 28, 1934 to Thomas Beatty Smith, son of William Henry and Clara Smith of Alexandria, Louisiana.

Fourth Generation

Lewis Melvin Holdeman was married April 28, 1906 to Lovina Ellen Grunawalt, born June 6, 1889 in Starke County, Indiana, daughter of George and Christina (Esenwein) Grunawalt. Although born near Independence, Iowa, he returned in early life to his father's people around Wakarusa, Indiana, and stayed for a time at the home of Abner Holdeman. He lived for brief periods at Millersburg, Jamestown, and Mishawaka, Indiana, at Scotts, Michigan, and then settled in South Bend, Indiana, where he is engaged in Heat Treating at the Studebaker Corporation. His address is 1202 East Haney Avenue.

Children :

1. Nelson Howard Holdeman, born February 28, 1907.
2. Roscoe Herbert Holdeman, born June 5, 1911.
3. Boyd Buford Holdeman, born July 8, 1913.
4. Verna Bernice Holdeman, born April 6, 1915.
5. Lois Lovina Holdeman, born April 14, 1917.

Fifth Generation

Nelson Howard Holdeman was married May 14, 1927 to Mildred Cornwell. They live at 2206 Leer Street, South Bend, and he is employed by the Drummy Transfer Lines, of South Bend.

Children :

1. Robert Eugene Holdeman, born March 7, 1929.
2. Joan Joyce Holdeman, born January 3, 1934.

Fifth Generation

Roscoe Herbert Holdeman was married February 3, 1934, to Fern Runyun. He is employed by the Drummy Transfer Lines of South Bend.

Third Generation

Lycurgus Holdeman served as a soldier in the Civil war and was a private in Company G, 74th Regiment Indiana Volunteer Infantry. He enrolled August 9, 1862 at Elkhart, Indiana, for three years, and was mustered into service August 20, 1862 at Indianapolis, Indiana. He died January 16, 1864 at No. 11 General Hospital, Nashville, Tennessee of small pox. He was described as five feet, seven inches in height, sandy complexion, dark blue eyes, and brown hair.

Third Generation

Matilda Holdeman was married to George Green. He died early, and she then married George Vail, who died and left her a widow. To them were born two sons :

1. Frank Vail, born July 23, 1864 ; died September 21, 1876.
Aged 12 years, 1 month, 28 days.
2. William Vail.

Matilda Holdeman was married the third time in 1884 to Cool Runkle, a well-to-do farmer of Edwardsburg, Cass County, Michigan. They were later divorced and for some time she conducted a boarding house for Wabash R. R. employees at Decatur, Illinois. From 1900 until the end of her life she lived in Chicago, Illinois. At the time of her death she resided at 1440 Van Buren Street. Because of illness

caused by bronchial pneumonia she was placed into the Cook County Hospital in Chicago on December 28, 1912, and died there two days later. She was buried January 2, 1913 in the Mt. Auburn Cemetery near Chicago.

Fifth Generation

William Vail married Mollie in Danville, Illinois, where they lived. He was a railroad engineer, and is said to have been a man of good appearance, well dressed and strongly built. He also lived in Chicago; at the time of the death of Matilda Holdeman his address was 3830 Elmwood Avenue. He is said to have been a 32nd degree Mason.

They had two sons:

1. Cool Vail.
2. William Vail.

Third Generation

Jacob Holdeman was married to Mary Doane, who was born at Windsor, Canada, daughter of John and Jane (Russell) Doane. He was a private in Company G., 74th Indiana Infantry during the Civil War, having entered at Elkhart August 20, 1862, and was discharged June 9, 1865. While a soldier in the Civil War he was injured at the battle of Stone River. His subsequent career was connected with the railroad, and he became a railroad engineer. He lived at various places including Iowa City, Iowa; Sandwich, Illinois; Buchanan, Michigan; Elkhart, Indiana; Gallion, Ohio; Ashland, Ohio; and Mishawaka, Indiana. He was married November 22, 1894, at South Bend, Indiana, to Sarah Jane Gunter, John A. Wood, Justice of the Peace, officiating. On July 31, 1901, at which time he was living in Mishawaka, Indiana, he applied for admission to the Soldiers' Home of Marion, Indiana; he died in the Hospital of the Marion Soldiers' Home on September 3, 1901, and was buried in the Home Cemetery on September 4, 1901.

Children:

1. Eleanor Holdeman, born April 19, 1866 at Sandwich, Illinois; died March 14, 1934 in Chicago, Illinois. Aged 67 years, 10 months, 25 days.
2. Mary Jane Holdeman, born May, 1867, at Sandwich Illinois.

3. William Tecumseh Sherman Holdeman, born April 4, 1870 at Independence, Iowa.
4. Walter Herman Holdeman, born in Buchanan, Michigan, died in infancy.

Fourth Generation

Eleanor Holdeman was married June 12, 1883 at Mishawaka, Indiana, to Joseph Barnett Rynearson. He was born Jan. 29, 1862 at Greenup, Illinois, but grew to manhood at Buchanan, Michigan, to which place he was taken in 1865 by his parents, William and Eliza (Hiatt) Rynearson.



Eleanor Holdeman Rynearson and grandson Richard B. Rynearson

son. Joseph B. and Eleanor (Holdeman) Rynearson lived in Buchanan, Michigan until 1906, when they removed to Hammond, Indiana. Since February 1912 they have lived in Chicago, Illinois, 6610 Parnell Avenue. He has been a mechanic and an engineer. Eleanor Holdeman Rynearson was a Methodist, and while living in Chicago was a member of the Englewood M. E. Church. She was much interested in missionary work, and carried on a correspondence with foreign missionaries on the field.

Children:

1. Claude Alva Rynearson, born March 21, 1886, at Mishawaka, Indiana.
2. Earl Rynearson, born in Richland, Michigan; died at the age of 3 days.
3. Robert Neal Rynearson, born July 6, 1891; died April 27, 1892.
4. Edith Zilpha Rynearson, born August 8, 1898 in Buchanan, Michigan.

Fifth Generation

Claude Alva Rynearson, while living in Hammond, Indiana, was married July 24, 1910 in Chicago, Illinois, to Gertrude Roush of Frankfort, Illinois.

One son was born:

1. Richard B. Rynearson, born March 24, 1913 at Greenwood, Indiana.

Claude Alva Rynearson was married June 1, 1934 to Sylvia Ronn, born February 11, 1896 in Stockholm, Sweden, daughter of Emanuel and Louise (Borg) Ronn. They at present live at 4003 Wellington Ave., Chicago, Illinois. He is a mechanical and electrical engineer, and has worked in nearly all parts of the United States, and in Central and South America.

Fifth Generation

Edith Zilpha Rynearson was married to Raymond Murphy. They live in Oak Park, Illinois. She has been a stenographer and bookkeeper.

One son was born:

1. Glenn Raymond Murphy, born September 17, 1921.

Fourth Generation

Mary Jane Holdeman was married to Edward DeGrot. He was educated for the priesthood at Notre Dame University, but became later a bookkeeper in a railroad office. They lived in Chicago, Illinois.

One son was born:

1. Marshall DeGrot.

Fifth Generation

Marshall DeGrot was married to Grace
They live in California.

Children:

1. June DeGrot.
2. Robert DeGrot.

Fourth Generation

William Tecumseh Sherman Holdeman was married January 13, 1893 to Charlotte Fryer. He had lived in Mishawaka, South Bend, and in Hammond, Indiana, and since about 1915 in Chicago, Illinois. He had been interested in the study of medicine and for a time attended a medical school in Orchard Heights, Cincinnati, Ohio. He then took up the study of electricity at Scranton, Pennsylvania, and his major occupation has been that of railway electrician. He is a graduate of courses in suggestive and electric therapy, and has also been a student of spiritualism. At present he is trustee of several spiritualist churches in Chicago, and is a lecturer on spiritualism. His present address is 3119 Cermak Road, Chicago, Illinois.

Children:

1. Warren D. Holdeman, born June 29, 1894; died January 19, 1904. Aged 9 years, 6 months, 20 days.
2. Geraldine Holdeman, born 1898; died September, 1920.
3. Elmer E. Holdeman, born 1900; died 1918.

William T. S. Holdeman was married a second time to Margaret Burdette Smith, a great-granddaughter of Daniel Boone. She has been a vice president and president of spiritualist churches in Chicago.

Elmer E. Holdeman had intended to study medicine, and learned tool and instrument making in order to earn money to pay for his medical course. He was a good debater; and when seventeen served one year as a scout master.

Fifth Generation

Geraldine Holdeman was married January 1, 1916 to Harry Jones, born November 19, 1895 at Columbus, Ohio, son of Isaac and Elizabeth (Thoms) Jones. He operates a summer resort at Mercer, Wisconsin.

Children, born at Massillon, Ohio:

1. Shirley Enid Jones, born January 26, 1917.
2. Dorothy Wilsonne Jones, born February 7, 1919.

GEORGE HOLDEMAN FAMILY

Second Generation

GEORGE HOLDEMAN was married February 18, 1836 in Wayne County, Ohio to Anna Eicher, born October 22, 1818 in Westmoreland County, Pennsylvania, daughter of Daniel and Mary M. (Stuckschleger) Eicher. She had come with her parents to Wayne County, Ohio, and was reared on a farm which was the northeast quarter of section nineteen in Congress Township, in which township they lived during the first several years after their marriage.

George Holdeman became a school teacher and taught one-third of the winter term of 1839 and 1840 at the old log school house of district No. Six in Chester Township, Wayne County, Ohio. The following facts concerning the teaching career of George Holdeman in Ohio were taken from Chester Township records: "George Holdeman taught the winter term of school 1844 and 1845 in District No. Two which was the next district due north of District No. Six, and known to-day as Science Point District by the same number, and that on March 12, 1845 was paid \$45.50 for his services, and the winter of 1846 and 1847 George Holdeman taught the school of District No. Eleven, today known as Red Swamp, and on March 22, 1847 drew \$52.00 for his wages. The following winter, 1847 and 1848, he again taught in District No. Two, and on March 16, 1848 he was paid \$52.00.*

On November 20, 1839, George Holdeman and wife bought from Simon Vanosdal a forty acre tract of land, which was the south one-half of the south half of the southeast quarter of section five in Chester Township. This land was sold on September 2, 1848, twenty acres to Isaac Young and twenty to Susannah Cook.

In the year 1848 George Holdeman and family came to Elkhart County, Indiana, and lived during the first year in Elkhart Township, in which township the Frederick Landis family had settled. They had seven children at this time.

* Harvey S. Rutt, **History of Chester Township, Wayne County, Ohio**, p. 26.

They then moved to Olive Township and purchased from the government September 21, 1849 the forty acres of the southwest quarter of the southeast quarter of section thirty-five of township thirty-six (Olive); this tract was sold for sixty dollars to Susannah Miller July 30, 1850. On May 13, 1850, George and Anna Holdeman bought from Henry Yoder of Mahoning County, Ohio, for five hundred dollars the southwest quarter of section seven, 130.55 acres of township thirty-five (Locke). On October 11, 1858 they bought for three hundred dollars the north half of the southwest quarter of section thirty-four in Olive Township, containing 120 acres, and on April 12, 1865 from John H. and Harriet Baker of Elkhart County for two hundred dollars the northwest quarter of the southeast quarter of section thirty-four in Olive Township.

George Holdeman was a soldier in the Civil War. He was drafted, and entered November 14, 1862 at Indianapolis. He was a private and a member of Company K, 57th Regiment of the Indiana Infantry. At the battle of Stone River December 21, 1862 he was wounded in the shoulder; it is said he would have been killed had it not been for a pair of new boots which he had in a knapsack over his shoulder.

George Holdeman had been the first of the Holdemans to settle in Elkhart County, and to clear land; he first cleared ten acres on the west side of section thirty-four, at what came to be called Coonville. Later he built a log house almost in the center of the section; it stood northeast of where the barn now is on the farm occupied by Warren Holdeman. This log house faced the east with a porch along the east side of it. He had also started to build a barn, but sold the farm before this was completed.

Anna (Eicher) Holdeman died March 2, 1863, aged 44 years, 4 months, 10 days. George Holdeman was married the second time December 17, 1868 to Charlotte Bixler, and shortly afterward sold his farm to Joseph Holdeman. He purchased the shares from the children of his second wife of a farm north of the Baugo Church, northwest of Wakarusa.

In addition to teaching and farming he practiced veterinary quite extensively, and became more a veterinarian than a farmer.

George and Anna (Eicher) Holdeman were members of the Mennonite Church. Before the Holdeman Meeting House was built, services were held regularly once every four weeks at their home one and one-half miles west and one-half mile south of Wakarusa. He sometimes accommodated Mennonite ministers and other visitors to Elkhart County by providing transportation for them. For instance in 1868 Christian D. Berry of Burr Oak, Michigan visited Mennonites around Wakarusa; when he returned home George Holdeman and Daniel Brenneman accompanied him as far as LaGrange, Indiana.

The following sixteen children were born to George and Anna (Eicher) Holdeman:

1. Samuel W. Holdeman, born June 1, 1837 in Congress Township, Wayne County, Ohio; died April 18, 1898. Aged 60 years, 10 months, and 17 days.
2. Abraham A. Holdeman, born November 28, 1838 in Congress Township, Wayne County, Ohio; died July 10, 1895. Aged 56 years, 7 months, and 12 days.
3. Hannah Holdeman, born December 28, 1840 in Chester Township, Wayne County, Ohio; died July 14, 1878. Aged 37 years, 6 months, and 16 days.
4. Christiana D. Holdeman, born October 22, 1842 in Chester Township, Wayne County, Ohio; died August 26, 1931. Aged 88 years, 9 months, and 28 days.
5. Mary Holdeman, born July 10, 1844 in Chester Township, Wayne County, Ohio; died November 11, 1897. Aged 53 years, 4 months, and 1 day.
6. Catharine Holdeman, born October 15, 1845 in Chester Township, Wayne County, Ohio.
7. Christian E. Holdeman, born March 8, 1847 in Chester Township, Wayne County, Ohio; died February 6, 1918. Aged 70 years, 10 months, and 29 days.
8. Daniel J. Holdeman, born November 7, 1848 in Elkhart Township, Elkhart County, Indiana; died June 5, 1924. Aged 75 years, 6 months, and 29 days.
9. Joseph Holdeman, born November 7, 1850 in Olive Township, Elkhart County, Indiana; died June 8, 1859, aged 8 years, and 7 months.
10. Peter Holdeman, born October 9, 1852 in Olive Township, Elkhart County, Indiana; died October 11, 1852. Aged 2 days and 8 hours.

11. Anna Holdeman born January 21, 1854 in Olive Township, Elkhart County, Indiana; died June 8, 1859. Aged 5 years, 4 months, and 18 days.
12. Amos Holdeman, born July 12, 1856 in Olive Township, Elkhart County, Indiana; died May 13, 1861. Aged 4 years, and 10 months.
13. Jacob Y. Holdeman, born July 3, 1859 in Olive Township, Elkhart County, Indiana; died March 31, 1863. Aged 3 years, 10 months, and 22 days.
14. Susanna H. Holdeman, born May 16, 1861 in Olive Township, Elkhart County, Indiana.
15. Cornelius L. Holdeman, born March 2, 1863 in Olive Township, Elkhart County, Indiana; died September 2, 1912. Aged 49 years, and 6 months.
16. Elias L. Holdeman, born March 2, 1863 in Olive Township, Elkhart County, Indiana.

Joseph and Anna Holdeman were drowned near the home of their uncle, Joseph Holdeman; they were returning from school and attempted to cross the Baugo on a log at the time of high water.

Daniel J. Holdeman was never married. He was a farm laborer, and worked for a time in Kansas, where he made his home with David S. Holdeman.

Third Generation

Samuel W. Holdeman was married October 22, 1865 to Elizabeth Miller, daughter of Joseph and Catherine (Serner) Miller. She was born August 5, 1836 and died April 13, 1871; aged 34 years, 8 months, and 8 days. At the age of eleven he moved with his parents from Wayne County, Ohio to Elkhart County, Indiana, and as a young man taught in the rural schools of the community. On August 20, 1862 after the outbreak of the Civil War, he enlisted at Elkhart, Indiana in Company G, 74th Regiment of the Indiana Volunteer Infantry, and was one of the two sons who fought side by side with his father. He was wounded at the battle of Chicamauga and from that time was unable to do active field duty, so he did guard duty, mostly at prison camps, until his discharge May 23, 1865. After his marriage the following year, he purchased a farm in St. Joseph County, Indiana, seven miles west of South Bend, where he spent the rest of his life. He was affiliated with the Mennonite Church.

Children:

1. Joseph M. Holdeman, born April 28, 1867; died May 26, 1867.
2. Martha Alice Holdeman, born January 11, 1870.
3. James I. Holdeman, born November 30, 1870; died February 5, 1871.

On March 7, 1875, after the death of his first wife, Samuel W. Holdeman married Sarah Amanda Shelley, daughter of Calvin and Elizabeth (Finley) Shelley. She was born April 13, 1858 in Starke County, Indiana, and died June 28, 1911. Children:

1. Calvin S. Holdeman, born August 24, 1876.
2. Edwin S. Holdeman, born January 11, 1879.
3. Anna Elizabeth Holdeman, born January 6, 1891; died May 28, 1904. Aged 13 years, 4 months, 22 days.

Fourth Generation

Martha Alice Holdeman was married October 17, 1888 to John R. Coover, son of Adam and Jane Mary (Rouse) Coover. He was born August 27, 1853, and died May 20, 1920; aged 66 years, 8 months, and 23 days. He was a farmer and carpenter. They lived near Harbor Springs, Michigan, and were members of the Baptist Church.

Six daughters were born:

1. Ida Elizabeth Coover, born September 23, 1889; died May 16, 1915. Aged 25 years, 7 months, 23 days.
2. Alma Bell Coover, born August 1, 1891; died August 2, 1909. Aged 18 years, 1 day.
3. Ella Mae Coover, born July 2, 1894.
4. Mabel Anna Coover, born May 15, 1896.
5. Hazel Estella Coover, born October 2, 1901.
6. Helen Irene Coover, born January 8, 1912.

Fifth Generation

Ida Elizabeth Coover was a school teacher and taught in Howard City and Amasa, Michigan. She was a member of the Baptist Church.

Fifth Generation

Ella Mae Coover was married December 25, 1918 to Charles Larson, who was born February 2, 1892. She had been a school teacher and taught in Traverse City, Michigan. In 1919 they went to Bolivia, South America as missionaries. They are engaged in evangelistic and educational

missionary work in the Bolivian Indian Mission at Vallegrande, Bolivia, South America.

Children:

1. Elizabeth Mae Larson, born December 7, 1921.
2. Homer Larson, born March 19, 1924.

Fifth Generation

Mabel Anna Coover was married June 29, 1921 to Harry Johnson, born April 3, 1895, son of Jessie and Nettie (Brown) Johnson. She had been a teacher in the schools of Otsego, Traverse City, and Harbor Springs, Michigan.

Children:

1. Frank H. Johnson, born September 5, 1922.
2. Florence Martha Johnson, born April 26, 1924.
3. Robert Eugene Johnson, born in January, 1927.
4. Joan Marie Johnson, born March 14, 1929.

Fifth Generation

Hazel Estella Coover was married March 4, 1921 to Bruce Volmar of Port Huron, Michigan, son of Frank Volmar. He is a steam engineer. She had taught in the public schools of Carson City and Ecorse, Michigan.

Children:

1. Bruce Volmar, Jr., born July 24, 1927.
2. Shirley Ann Volmar, born November 7, 1929.

Fifth Generation

Helen Irene Coover is a teacher in the schools of Kalamazoo, Michigan, and is a member of the Presbyterian Church.

Fourth Generation

Calvin S. Holdeman was married December 14, 1905 to Anna Mabel Hay, born May 10, 1883, daughter of Franklin Pierce and Priscilla Amelia (Crum) Hay. They live in South Bend, Indiana, 701 East Haney Avenue, and are members of the Presbyterian Church. He is employed by the Studebaker Corporation as inspector of automobile parts.

Children:

1. Mae Estella Holdeman, born January 15, 1909.
2. Edna Murtia Holdeman, born February 18, 1914.

Edna Murtia Holdeman is a piano teacher in the South Bend Conservatory of Music.

Fifth Generation

Mae Estella Holdeman was married September 22, 1928

to Wellington E. Ulmer, born May 10, 1902, son of Albert and Estella (Alleshouse) Ulmer. He is employed by the Studebaker Corporation. Their address is 1208 E. Donald Street, South Bend, Indiana.

Children:

1. Donald Franklin Ulmer, born March 19, 1932.
2. Edna Mae Ulmer, born January 17, 1936.

Fourth Generation

Edwin S. Holdeman was married December 14, 1907 to Julia Schafer, born April 30, 1885, daughter of Charles and Mary (Megerle) Schafer.

Farmer. Lakeville, Indiana.

Children:

1. Charles S. Holdeman, born March 25, 1910.
2. Ruth Holdeman, born September 17, 1922.

Fifth Generation

Charles S. Holdeman was married September 26, 1936 to Thelma Irene Burger, born July 1, 1914, daughter of Martin and Dora (Hoover) Burger.

Third Generation

Abraham A. Holdeman was married December 25, 1864 in Elkhart County, Indiana, by Samuel Holdeman, Justice of the Peace, to Elizabeth Curtis, daughter of Burton H. and Elizabeth (Koblin) Curtis. She was born in Waterloo County, Canada West, March 15, 1848, and died November 8, 1924; aged 76 years, 7 months, 23 days. The Curtis family had come to Elkhart County, Indiana, in 1857. Less than three years after marriage Abraham and Elizabeth (Curtis) Holdeman moved to Noble Township, Branch County, Michigan, where a few Mennonite families had settled shortly before, and in a neighborhood where there had seldom been any religious services. As early as 1866 Mennonite ministers made trips to Branch County, and John M. Brenneman has reported a visit he made there when on November 20, 1867 a meeting was held at the home of Abraham Holdeman, where two persons were received into the church. The membership then numbered twenty-eight, and they were in need of a meeting-house. In 1873 Abraham Holdeman moved with his family back to Elkhart County, Indiana, near Wakarusa, and later near Nappanee, but returned to Branch County, Michigan. The final move

was to Bloomingdale Township, Van Buren County, Michigan.

Abraham Holdeman was a soldier in the Civil War, having enrolled September 5, 1861 at LaPorte, Indiana for three years. He was a member of Company C, 9th Regiment Indiana Volunteer Infantry, and on December 26, 1862 at the battle of Lavargne was severely wounded. He was discharged September 15, 1864.

A daughter of Abraham Holdeman, who had not reached her ninth birthday when her father died, wrote of him as follows: "He exacted obedience and might have been considered stern, but he never seemed so to me; he must have been quite patient, for he helped me all one summer after I had failed in the second grade. I do not remember any coercion about the study, for I distinctly remember that I was tempted to give up when I reached the place where the fine print began. It seems the decision to continue was entirely my own. When I was small I sat beside him a great deal on winter days and remember that, though I had two places to play, I was never allowed to have more than one strewn with paper dolls, etc., at a time. When I went to the other place the one where I had been playing had to be put in order first. I have always been thankful for that training in order. My father's word was counted good and he was able to say "It's alright" before his sudden death. He was one of those whose life was shortened as a result of his three years in the army."

The children of Abraham Holdeman and Elizabeth Curtis Holdeman are:

1. Catharine C. Holdeman, born December 2, 1865 in Olive Township, Elkhart County, Indiana.
2. Joseph C. Holdeman, born August 5, 1867 in Elkhart Township, Elkhart County, Indiana.
3. Maria C. Holdeman, born August 1, 1869 in Noble Township, Branch County, Michigan.
4. Anne C. Holdeman, born May 8, 1871 in Noble Township, Branch County, Michigan; died August 20, 1872. Aged 1 year, 3 months, 12 days.
5. Emma A. Holdeman, born October 28, 1873 in Olive Township, Elkhart County, Indiana; died January 9, 1874. Aged 2 months, 12 days.

6. Franklin Alvin Holdeman, born January 19, 1879 in Noble Township, Branch County, Michigan.
7. Grace May Holdeman, born June 11, 1881 in Noble Township, Branch County, Michigan.
8. Claudius Holdeman, born August 21, 1884 in Bloomingdale Township, Van Buren County, Michigan. Single.
9. Eleanor Jane Holdeman, born November 6, 1886 in Bloomingdale Township, Van Buren County, Michigan.

Fourth Generation

Catharine C. Holdeman was married November 28, 1894 to Elbert E. Cone, born October 31, 1866, son of Erastus and Elizabeth L. (Culver) Cone. They lived in Grand Rapids, Michigan, and he was employed in the car shops.

Children:

1. Walter E. Cone, born March 16, 1896.
2. Anna Elizabeth Cone, born January 11, 1898.
3. Genevee Cone, born August 25, 1900.

Fifth Generation

Walter E. Cone was married December 28, 1921 to Lila Belle Essex, born July 12, 1901, daughter of Marion and Minnie (Schrader) Essex. He is a Wholesale Groceries Warehouse Clerk. They are members of the Sunnyside Baptist Church of Los Angeles, where their address is 1317 W. 99th Street, Los Angeles, California.

Children:

1. Vera Berniece Cone, born October 16, 1922.
2. Eleanor Elaine Cone, born October 13, 1925.

Fifth Generation

Anna Elizabeth Cone was married September 30, 1920 to William Harold Koster, born June 29, 1892, son of Jacob and Ida (Joppa) Koster. He is a general merchant in Alaska, Michigan, but their address is Caledonia, Michigan. They are members of the Byron Center Reformed Church and of the Sunday school in the Alaska Baptist Church.

They have one son (adopted):

1. James Lloyd Koster, born March 2, 1930.

Fifth Generation

Genevee Cone was married August 18, 1921 to Clyde R. Shoemaker, born May 2, 1899, son of Sherman and Anna (Hebner) Shoemaker. They are affiliated with the Griggs Street Evangelical Church, and their address is 255 Fox Street, Grand Rapids, Michigan.

Children:

1. Clyde Russell Shoemaker, Jr., born April 6, 1922.
2. Thelma June Shoemaker, born May 17, 1923.
3. Phyllis Doreen Shoemaker, born June 30, 1925.
4. Jacquelyn Jean Shoemaker, born September 21, 1926.
5. Robert Ronald Shoemaker, born July 15, 1929.

Fourth Generation

Joseph C. Holdeman was married November 21, 1894 by Rev. B. O. Rockwall to Ethelyn L. Root, born February 20, 1873 in Bloomingdale, Michigan, daughter of Beardsley and Mary (Harris) Root.

Farmer. Gobles, Michigan. Baptist Church.

Children, born in Bloomingdale, Michigan:

1. Olga G. Holdeman, born August 18, 1895.
2. Judson A. Holdeman, born October 21, 1901.
3. Norma Marie Holdeman, born September 27, 1907.
4. Marlin V. Holdeman, born November 13, 1909.

Fifth Generation

Olga G. Holdeman was married February 4, 1914 in Allegan, Michigan, to Frank Reed, born May 20, 1892 in Allegan County, Michigan, son of William and Mary (Klapp) Reed. Farmer. Gobles, Michigan.

Children, born in Bloomingdale, Michigan:

1. Margaret J. Reed, born July 31, 1917.
2. Frances E. Reed, born September 5, 1921.
3. Dale E. Reed, born December 11, 1922; died January 2, 1923.
4. Marilyn Reed, born April 9, 1933.

Fifth Generation

Judson A. Holdeman was married February 21, 1921 in Paw Paw, Michigan by Rev. Willet to Ruby Johnson, daughter of Almond and Mary (Gettig) Johnson. He is in the bus business, and lives in Kalamazoo, Michigan.

Children:

1. Shirley Elaine Holdeman, born October 2, 1922 in Bloomingdale, Michigan.
2. Judson J. Holdeman, born June 8, 1931 in Kalamazoo, Michigan.

Fifth Generation

Norma Marie Holdeman was married May 1, 1926 to Lester Truax, born September 27, 1907 at Bloomingdale, Michigan, son of Henry and Elizabeth (Enders) Truax.

They live at Gobles, Michigan, and are members of the Baptist Church. He is a paper mill worker at Bangor.

Children:

1. Lester Duane Truax, born January 23, 1927.
2. Gene LaVerne Truax, born March 6, 1928.
3. Ila Mae Truax, born May 9, 1930.
4. Richard Henry Truax, born August 6, 1931.

Fifth Generation

Marlin V. Holdeman was married May 29, 1930 by Rev. Hayic to Mildred Gilbert, born November 13, 1909 near Bloomingdale, Michigan, daughter of John and Janie (McCarthy) Gilbert. He is employed at the Kalamazoo Stove Co., and lives in Gobles, Michigan.

Children:

1. Le Verne Holdeman, born May 26, 1929.
2. Ruth Marie Holdeman, born April 2, 1931.
3. Mary Louise Holdeman, born December 5, 1932.

Fourth Generation

Maria C. Holdeman was married January 14, 1891 to Clarence W. Hitchcock, son of Henry S. and Sophia Hitchcock. He was born August 5, 1865 and died June 21, 1936; aged 70 years, 10 months, 16 days. Their occupation was farming; they lived most recently at Denton, Montana, and were members of the Methodist Church.

Children:

1. Lester Clarence Hitchcock, born October 22, 1893 near Aberdeen, South Dakota.
2. Ruth Elizabeth Hitchcock, born May 17, 1895 near Aberdeen, South Dakota.
3. Mark A. Hitchcock, born May 10, 1897 near Aberdeen, South Dakota.
4. Ralph H. Hitchcock, born May 29, 1900 near Aberdeen, South Dakota.
5. Amber S. Hitchcock, born June 30, 1902 in Wilton, North Dakota.
6. Ella Mae Hitchcock, born June 20, 1906 in North Dakota.
7. Marie Irene Hitchcock, born November 5, 1907 at Bloomingdale, Michigan.
8. William S. Hitchcock, born September 17, 1909 in Texas.
9. Anna Belle Hitchcock, born June 4, 1912 in Oregon.

Fifth Generation

Lester Clarence Hitchcock was married December 20, 1924 to Ann Marie Schultz.

Farmer. Denton, Montana.

Children:

1. Dorothy Marie Hitchcock, born December 1, 1925.
2. Vivian Ruth Hitchcock, born November 17, 1926.
3. Robert Lester Hitchcock, born January 16, 1928.
4. Barbara Ann Hitchcock, born January 21, 1929.
5. Ella Lon Hitchcock, born December 11, 1930.
6. Carol Jean Hitchcock, born November 30, 1934.

Fifth Generation

Ruth Elizabeth Hitchcock was married April 10, 1915 to George Albert Bressler.

Mechanic. Salem, Oregon. Methodist.

They have one daughter:

1. Gatha Viola Bressler, born February 2, 1916.

Sixth Generation

Gatha Viola Bressler was married January 12, 1933 to Walter Dawes.

They have a daughter:

1. Patricia Ann Dawes, born March 2, 1935.

Fifth Generation

Mark A. Hitchcock was married December 20, 1921 to Sylvia Vance. He enlisted in the Navy April 10, 1917 and served over four years. He, with Ralph Hitchcock, received first training on the San Diego and remained on the San Diego until its sinking on July 19, 1918. He is at present a farmer, and his address is Fort Shaw, Montana.

Children:

1. Clarence I. Hitchcock, born April 22, 1923.
2. Billie Ann Hitchcock, born February 3, 1929.
3. Donna Belle Hitchcock, born September 7, 1932.

Fifth Generation

Ralph H. Hitchcock was married January 30, 1921 to Esther Sheldon. He enlisted in the Navy April 10, 1917, serving on the San Diego until its sinking July 19, 1918. He served in the navy two years and five months. Their present place of residence is Fort Peck, Montana.

Children:

1. Glenn H. Hitchcock, born January 1, 1924.
2. Phillip W. Hitchcock, born September 17, 1925.

3. Gene A. Hitchcock, born August 22, 1927.
4. Jack R. Hitchcock, born April 26, 1929.
5. Raymond P. Hitchcock, born August 9, 1933.
6. Verna Esther Hitchcock, born April 23, 1936.

Fifth Generation

Amber S. Hitchcock was married February 15, 1921 to James A. Jacobs.

Merchant. Harrisburg, Oregon.

Children:

1. Shirley Jean Jacobs, born September 14, 1926.
2. Gayle R. Jacobs, born July 10, 1928.

Fifth Generation

Elia May Hitchcock was married October 1, 1926 to Frank K. Starr. They live in Salem Oregon, where he is a salesman and she is an evening chief operator.

Fifth Generation

Marie Irene Hitchcock was married December 25, 1928 to Byrd Tucker. They live in San Francisco, California, where he is bank cashier in the Wells Fargo Bank & Trust Company.

Children:

1. Byrd Weston Tucker, born September 22, 1929.
2. Donald P. Tucker, born July 11, 1931.

Fifth Generation

Anna Belle Hitchcock was married June 30, 1932 to Claire Gilbert. They live in Portland, Oregon.

They have a daughter:

1. Nancy Ann Gilbert, born March 31, 1933.

Fourth Generation

Franklin Alvin Holdeman was married March 25, 1908 to Emma Sando. Franklin Alvin Holdeman entered the ministry in 1899 of the Mennonite Brethren in Christ Church, and was ordained in 1902 by the Indiana and Ohio Conference. He and his wife, who has always been active in religious work, have been pastors in the following places:

Goshen, Indiana. 1910-1912.

Western Pennsylvania. 1914-1921. (Loop & Fairmont Churches.)

Dark County, Ohio. 1921-1924. (Greenville & Beech Churches.)

Highland County, Ohio. 1924-1929. (Harriet Church.)

Englewood, Ohio. 1929-1934.

Potsdam, Ohio. 1934-

Children:

1. Edith Myra Holdeman, born January 15, 1912 in Goshen, Indiana.
2. Nancy Elizabeth Holdeman, born February 15, 1918 in New Carlisle, Ohio.
3. Ralph Claridon Holdeman, born October 19, 1921 in Dark County, near Gettysburg, Ohio.

Edith Myra Holdeman is a school-teacher.

Fourth Generation

Grace May Holdeman was married March 22, 1900 to Gustave Adolf Schleicher, son of Frederick and Katherine (Maier) Schleicher. They live near Williamston, Michigan. She is a member of the Mennonite Brethren in Christ Church, and he of the Church of the Nazarene.

Children:

1. Ruth Schleicher, born December 19, 1900.
2. Frederick Henry Schleicher, born April 26, 1902.
3. Katherine Elizabeth Schliecher, born October 24, 1903.
4. Earl Homer Schleicher, born March 25, 1906.
5. Beatrice Blanch Schleicher, born July 24, 1907.
6. Nathan Paul Schleicher, born January 17, 1910.
7. Louise Marian Schleicher, born September 30, 1911.
8. Elmer Cyrus Schleicher, born March 3, 1914.
9. Hazel Margaret Schleicher, born January 21, 1916.
10. Helen Irene Schleicher, born September 1, 1917.

Fifth Generation

Ruth Schleicher was married May 29, 1920 to Glenn Lewen Richey, son of Dallas and Charity (Norris) Richey. They live near Mason, Michigan.

Children:

1. Chrystal May Richey, born April 15, 1921.
2. Violet Corrine Richey, born September 18, 1923.
3. Clare Lewen Richey, born February 18, 1925.
4. Vernon Glenn Richey, born May 2, 1926.
5. Frederick Lou Richey, born January 28, 1928.
6. Douglas Earl Richey, born September 10, 1930.
7. Bruce Robert Richey, born April 9, 1932.
8. Virginia Darleen Richey, born December 1, 1934.

Fifth Generation

Frederick Henry Schleicher was married March 29, 1927 to Helena Cole.

Machinist. 2418 Lyons Ave., Lansing, Michigan. Methodist Episcopal.

Children:

1. Frederick Henry Schleicher, Jr., born May 20, 1929.
2. Anna Marie Schleicher, born December 25, 1930.
3. William Paul Schleicher, born November 12, 1935.

Fifth Generation

Beatrice Blanch Schleicher was married to George Washington Neale, son of Thomas and Minnie (Cole) Neale. He died July 29, 1929.

Children:

1. Stanley David Neale, born June 26, 1926.
2. George Washington Neale, born September 19, 1929.

Beatrice Blanch Schleicher was married the second time February 14, 1930 to Burrel Bently. They live in Lansing, Michigan, and are members of the Church of the Nazarene.

Children:

1. Beulah Blanch Bently, born February, 1931.
2. Burrel Bently, Jr., born November 10, 1932.

Fifth Generation

Nathan Paul Schleicher was married May 2, 1934 to Violet Grimes.

Foreman in Horner Bros. Woolen Mills. Eaton Rapids, Michigan.

Children:

1. Gloria Ann Schleicher, born January 16, 1936.

Fifth Generation

Louise Marian Schleicher was married July 29, 1932 to Charles Alexander Keeley.

Mill-worker. Eaton Rapids, Michigan.

Children:

1. Barbara Jean Keeley, born July 19, 1934.

Fifth Generation

Hazel Margaret Schleicher was married January 29, 1934 to Clyde Perkins.

Millworker. 311 Division Street, Eaton Rapids, Mich.

Fourth Generation

Eleanor Jane Holdeman was married December 24, 1908

to John Lenox Gleamer. He was born May 16, 1884, and died February 12, 1911.

Eleanor J. Holdeman Gleamer was married November 27, 1918 to George Neale, son of Jonathan and Martha (Lannan) Neale.

She has been a teacher and a stenographer, and is an amateur beekeeper. She taught four years before marriage, three of which were in the district of Gobles, Michigan where she now resides. After her husband's death she again taught three years, then took a Business Course at South Bend, Indiana, and was engaged for some time in stenographic work. She has been chairman of the local Rebekah Lodge and of the Past Noble Grand Club; also president for one year of the Van Buren County Rebekah Association.

Third Generation

Hannah Holdeman, oldest daughter of George and Anna (Eicher) Holdeman, was married January 30, 1859 to Joseph Anglemyer, son of Jonas and Elizabeth (Flook) Anglemyer. He was born December 12, 1839, and died February 6, 1926; aged 86 years, 1 month, 24 days. His father had come from Bucks County, Pennsylvania, to Elkhart County, Indiana in 1853 and bought eighty acres of land in Harrison Township four and one-half miles northeast of Wakarusa.

Joseph Anglemyer was a soldier in the Civil War nearly three years, having enrolled August 20, 1862 at Elkhart, Indiana. He was a member of Company G, 74th Regiment Indiana Infantry, and was discharged June 9, 1865.

In 1868 they moved from Elkhart County, Indiana to Branch County, Michigan. On July 14, 1878 Hannah Holdeman Anglemyer died and in the fall of the same year Joseph Anglemyer and children went to Kansas where they located on a farm near Winfield in Cowley County. In 1893 he made the run into the Cherokee strip where he homesteaded a piece of land, which, when the region was divided into counties, was situated in Kay County, near Blackwell, Oklahoma.

Children:

1. Amanda Anglemyer, born November 26, 1859.
2. Emma Anglemyer, born November 26, 1861.
3. George Anglemyer, born May 13, 1866.

4. Jacob Anglemyer, born June 28, 1868.
5. Elizabeth Anglemyer, born September 2, 1870.
6. John Anglemyer, born October 15, 1872; died January 20, 1924. Aged 51 years, 3 months, 5 days.
7. Charles Anglemyer, born January 12, 1876.

Fourth Generation

Amanda Anglemyer was married August 1, 1880 to Jacob W. Murray, son of Jeremiah and Christina (Weimer) Murray. He was born April 15, 1855, and died October 19, 1920, aged 65 years, 6 months, 14 days. He was a farmer, and a deacon in the Church of the Brethren. They lived near Ames, Oklahoma, but after his death Amanda Murray moved to Enid, Oklahoma, where she now resides at 1025 West Pine Street.

Children:

1. Elzora Murray, born December 15, 1881.
2. Emma Murray, born April 23, 1884.
3. Alice Murray, born May 6, 1886; died November 5, 1896. Aged 10 years, 5 months, 29 days.
4. Lenora Murray, born December 9, 1890.
5. Harry H. Murray, born November 26, 1892.
6. Edwin Murray, born August 30, 1904.

Fifth Generation

Elzora Murray was married November 26, 1899 to Dorsey W. Hill, born August 16, 1871, son of Henry H. and Martha E. (Miles) Hill. They live on a farm south of Drummond, Oklahoma, and are members of the United Brethren Church.

Children:

1. Chester J. Hill, born February 5, 1901.
2. Claude Henry Hill, born November 16, 1903.
3. Elmer Ellsworth Hill, born July 1, 1907.
4. Vesta Elizabeth Hill, born June 15, 1910.
5. Infant son, born September 9, 1913 and died September 20, 1913.
6. Martha Amanda Hill, born July 3, 1917.
7. Thelma Ruth Hill, born September 27, 1921.

Sixth Generation

Chester J. Hill was married July 31, 1920 to Della Poindexter, born November 9, 1901, the daughter of John and Margaret (Headrick) Poindexter.

Farmer. Drummond, Oklahoma. United Brethren Church.

Children:

1. Chelsea Elmer Hill, born April 24, 1921.
2. Myrle William Hill, born November 23, 1924.
3. Wilbur Duane Hill, born June 22, 1931.
4. Kay Marilyn Hill, born December 26, 1934.

Sixth Generation

Claud Henry Hill was married July 15, 1928 to Juanita Secor, born September 24, 1912, the daughter of Robert and Mable (Malory) Secor.

Farmer. Drummond, Oklahoma. United Brethren Church.

Children:

1. Jackie Ray Hill, born May 20, 1935; died July 11, 1936.

Fifth Generation

Emma Murray was married December 25, 1901 to Bert Cottrell, born August 30, 1881, son of Benjamin F. and Katherine (Stump) Cottrell. He is an engineer. They are members of the United Brethren Church and live at 1025 West Pine Street, Enid, Oklahoma.

Children:

1. Earl Leonard Cottrell, born September 8, 1902.
2. Icel Florence Cottrell, born June 19, 1904.
3. Erma Lenora Cottrell, born December 22, 1907.
4. Fern Irene Cottrell, born May 23, 1916.

Sixth Generation

Earl Leonard Cottrell was married June 10, 1923 to Faye Gilbert, born August 18, 1906, at Leadonia, Texas. He is an operator of the T. O. P. Refinery. Their address is Gladewater, Texas.

They have one child:

1. Iris Jo Cottrell, born October 12, 1924.

Sixth Generation

Icel Florence Cottrell was married July 10, 1921 to Everett Boyott, born March 6, 1897, son of Elisha and Mary Ella (Sprachlet) Boyott. He is an operator of the Pan American Refinery. They live in Galveston, Texas.

They have one child:

1. Nada Lee Boyott, born June 15, 1924.

Sixth Generation

Erma Lenora Cottrell was married October 24, 1925 to

George Warren Wooley, born October 28, 1901, son of George and May M. Wooley. He is a pumper for the Magnolia Oil Co. Their present address is Overton, Texas.

They have one child:

1. Wallace Lee Wooley, born February 10, 1927.

Sixth Generation

Fern Irene Cottrell was married March 10, 1935 to Ben H. Tanner, born January 3, 1907, son of William Albert and Mary (Carpenter) Tanner.

Mechanic. 1025 W. Pine Street, Enid, Oklahoma.

Fifth Generation

Lenora Murray was married April 7, 1909 to Charles S. Snyder, born December 28, 1880, son of Miles F. and Phoebe Anna (Baysinger) Snyder.

Laborer. 1308 N. Monroe Street, Enid, Oklahoma. Church of Christ.

Children:

1. Charles Leroy Snyder, born January 20, 1910.
2. Claude Elbert Snyder, born January 25, 1912.
3. Clifford Irvil Snyder, born November 19, 1916.
4. Leslie Forest Snyder, born January 1, 1922.
5. Neva Leona Snyder, born July 4, 1925.
6. Lois Anita Snyder, born March 24, 1929.
7. Orin Earl Snyder, born March 29, 1932; died April 3, 1932.

Sixth Generation

Charles Leroy Snyder was married March 21, 1927 to Goldie Johnson, born July 11, 1908, daughter of Noah and Effie (Lusk) Johnson.

Mechanic. 1417 North Jackson St., Enid, Oklahoma.

Children:

1. Bobby Lee Snyder, born July 3, 1927.
2. Doris Jean Snyder, born September 18, 1929.
3. Billy Joe Snyder, born March 28, 1932.

Sixth Generation

Claude Elbert Snyder was married October 5, 1931 to Marie E. Thomas, born October 1, 1914, daughter of Clyde and Maggie (Martin) Thomas. He is a grader and packer at the Armour Produce Company in Enid, Oklahoma, where they live at 1317 E. Elm St., Enid, Oklahoma.

They have one child:

1. Delores Faye Snyder, born July 5, 1934.

Fifth Generation

Harry Murray was married March 14, 1910 to Bertha Bozworth, daughter of Bell Bozworth.

Flour Mill operator. 1259 Stewart Street, Denver, Colorado.

Children:

1. Edna Murray, born July 25, 1910; died September 30, 1928. Aged 18 years, 2 months, 5 days.
2. Estel C. Murray, born December 22, 1912.
3. Walter C. Murray, born August 10, 1914.
4. Hester Pauline Murray, born December 15, 1923.

Fifth Generation

Edwin Murray was married February 27, 1926 to Ora Fern Martin.

They had a daughter:

1. Katherine Amanda Murray, born December 3, 1926.

Edwin Murray was married the second time March 15, 1930 to Sarah Graw Williams, born November 1, 1904, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Graw of Cedar Rapids, Iowa. He is Construction Superintendent and Traffic Manager. They are affiliated with the United Brethren Church and live at 1120 10th Street S. E., Cedar Rapids, Iowa. Sarah Williams had two children which were adopted by Edwin Murray after their marriage.

1. Orpha E. Murray, born August 23, 1923.
2. Lawrence E. Murray, born June 13, 1925.

Fourth Generation

Emma Anglemyer was married March 6, 1881 to David Albert Mounts, born December 4, 1858, son of John Henry and Sarah (Barnhart) Mounts. They were engaged in farming nearly all their lives excepting a short time after marriage spent in Colorado helping to build railroads. They moved from Kansas to Oklahoma in 1909 and continued farming in various parts of Oklahoma. They were both members of the Baptist Church. David Albert Mounts died February 16, 1929 at his home near Prague, Oklahoma, at the age of 70 years, 2 months, 17 days. The present address of Emma Mounts is R. R. 4, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

Children:

1. Joseph Henry Mounts, born April 14, 1882.
2. Forrest Mounts, born March 15, 1885.
3. Bernie Armour Mounts, born October 4, 1898.

4. Edna Mae Mounts, born August 19, 1901.
5. Floyd Albert Mounts, born November 14, 1904.

Fifth Generation

Joseph Henry Mounts was married November 2, 1904 to Della Ellen Miller, born April 30, 1882, daughter of Thomas and Mary (Bonebrake) Miller. She died December 4, 1918, aged 36 years, 7 months, 4 days. They were members of the Baptist Church.

Children:

1. Earl Ellsworth Mounts, born December 19, 1906.
2. Homer Ray Mounts, born June 16, 1909.
3. John Dayton Mounts, born September 12, 1911.
4. Alvin Albert Mounts, born October 5, 1914.
5. Mitty Blanche Mounts, born December 3, 1918.

Joseph Henry Mounts was married the second time March 17, 1920 to Emma (Miller) Marsh, daughter of Thomas and Mary (Bonebrake) Miller. They are living on their farm near Winfield, Kansas.

Sixth Generation

Earl Ellsworth Mounts was married December 20, 1930 to Ruth Collet, born September 7, 1907, daughter of George and Stella (Guernsey) Collet. He is an employee of the Acme Plate Glass Co., of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. They live in Britton, Oklahoma, and are members of the Baptist Church.

They have one daughter:

1. Earlene Ruth Mounts, born December 21, 1935.

Sixth Generation

Homer Ray Mounts was married April 15, 1929 to Audrey Chloe Gordon, born November 23, 1910, daughter of Roscoe and Dovey (Dixon) Gordon. He is Scale Inspector for the Wilson Packing Plant of Oklahoma City. They live in Bethany, Oklahoma, and are members of the Baptist Church.

They have one daughter:

1. Patty Louise Mounts, born June 11, 1930.

Sixth Generation

John Dayton Mounts was married May 6, 1932 to Opal John Makerney, born September 17, 1914, daughter of Algia and Iva (Stone) Makerney. He is at present a mechanic for the Simpson Motor Co., Oklahoma City. They live at Choctaw, Oklahoma, R. R. 2.

Children:

1. Jo Ellen Mounts, born January 3, 1933.
2. Bobby Ray Mounts, born March 9, 1935.

Fifth Generation

Forrest Mounts was married December 16, 1909 to Dora Bowser, born December 16, 1888, daughter of Jacob and Susannah (Fickes) Bowser. She died February 18, 1921, aged 32 years, 2 months, 2 days.

Children:

1. Eva Lenora Mounts, born May 20, 1911.
2. Flossie Imogene Mounts, born October 4, 1913.
3. Forrest Leon Mounts, born October 14, 1915.

Eva Lenora Mounts is employed in Winfield, Kansas, in a confectionary.

Forrest Mounts was married the second time August 10, 1934 to Jessie (McCandless) Lacks. He is at present farming near Jones, Oklahoma, and is a member of the Baptist Church.

Sixth Generation

Flossie Imogene Mounts was married August 9, 1935 to Earl Day. They live on a farm near Jones, Oklahoma.

Fifth Generation

Bernie Armour Mounts was married December 26, 1925 to Erma Pauline Brash, born May 23, 1901, daughter of James Henry and Nellie Green (Wilcox) Brash. He is assistant chief accountant for the Texas Co., Houston, Texas. They live at 1638 Bonnie Brey, Houston, Texas, and are members of the Baptist Church.

Children:

1. Marilyn Mounts, born July 15, 1931.
2. Marjorie Anne Mounts, born January 1, 1935.

Fifth Generation

Edna Mae Mounts was married December 24, 1925 to James Thomas Lucas, born November 14, 1894, son of James and Adelia (Stumph) Lucas. He is a World War Veteran, having served eighteen months overseas. He is a nurseryman near Oklahoma City, and their address is Oklahoma City, R. R. 4. They are members of the Baptist Church.

Fifth Generation

Floyd Albert Mounts was married October 3, 1927 to Evelyn Narcissa West, born July 15, 1907, daughter of

Ralph and Annie (Arthur) West. He is a farmer and their address is Edmond, Oklahoma, R. R. 3.

Fourth Generation

George Anglemyer was married to Flora Wheat, a widow with four children. He went to California about the year 1918, and is the owner of an orange grove. Their address is River Side, California.

Fourth Generation

Jacob Anglemyer was married to May Funkerhouser. They live on a farm in Cowley County, near Winfield, Kansas.

Two daughters were born:

1. Laura E. Anglemyer, born February 26, 1896.
2. Zora M. Anglemyer, born November 4, 1900.

Fifth Generation

Laura E. Anglemyer was married September 21, 1913 to Earl J. DeVore, born December 19, 1894, son of James J. and Jennie DeVore. They live on a farm in Cowley County, near Winfield, Kansas. He had worked on the oil field as driller for six years, and for three years operated a boarding house.

They have one son:

1. Earl Eugene DeVore, born October 24, 1929.

Fifth Generation

Zora M. Anglemyer was married to Merle Ogilbee.

They live on a farm in Cowley County, near Winfield, Kansas.

They have one daughter:

1. Lora Jean Ogilbee, born December 3, 1926.

Fourth Generation

Elizabeth Anglemyer was married July 11, 1887 to Thomas F. Danner, son of Jacob and Sarah (Sloan) Danner. He was born March 30, 1865, and died January 17, 1923, aged 57 years, 9 months, 17 days. Since 1926 Elizabeth Anglemyer Danner has lived in Winfield, 911 East Eighth Street.

Farmer. Winfield, Kansas.

Children:

1. May Danner, born April 22, 1888.
2. Emma Danner, born July 5, 1890.
3. Allen Danner, born April 27, 1893; died August 11, 1931. Aged 38 years, 3 months, 14 days.

4. William Danner, born October 4, 1897. He is unmarried and lives on a farm near Winfield, Kansas.
5. Frank Danner, born May 6, 1907.
6. Ernest Danner, born April 1, 1909.

Fifth Generation

May Danner was married September 1, 1910 to Uhl Seacot, September 25, 1885 at Ashland, Kansas, son of Thornton and Elizabeth (Bogner) Seacot.

Farmer. Winfield, Kansas.

Children:

1. Leora Seacot, born August 7, 1911.
2. Elizabeth Seacot, born April 9, 1920; died April 11, 1920.
3. Thornton Seacot, born February 7, 1924; died March 3, 1924.
4. Helen Seacot, born July 1, 1925.

Fifth Generation

Emma Danner was married October 27, 1920 to George Ralph Chapman, born February 22, 1886 at Burden, Kansas, son of Clarence Albert and Lucena (Hefley) Chapman.

Farmer. Winfield, Kansas.

Children:

1. Bruce Danner Chapman, born October 7, 1921; died October 10, 1921.
2. Margaret Lucena Chapman, born January 1, 1926.
3. Lorraine Elizabeth Chapman, born June 16, 1928.

Fifth Generation

Allen Danner was married October 8, 1918 to Elizabeth Bogner, born December 1, 1897, daughter of William and Alice (Linch) Bogner.

He was a farmer near Winfield, Kansas.

Children:

1. Elsie Danner, born July 28, 1919.
2. Alice Danner, born March 25, 1922.
3. Maxine Danner, born August 30, 1924.

Fifth Generation

Frank Danner was married December 2, 1929 to Dona Jordon, born March 25, 1908, daughter of Charles and Ida Jordon of Winfield, Kansas. There are no children.

Farmer. Winfield, Kansas.

Fourth Generation

John Anglemyer was married May 19, 1900 to Laura B.

Wade, born December 7, 1878, daughter of Dora and Mary (Moyer) Wade. He was a farmer at Burden, Kansas. Laura B. Wade Anglemyer lives at 514 E. Third Street, Winfield, Kansas.

Children:

1. Elsie Anglemyer, born October 17, 1901.
2. Emma Anglemyer, born April 9, 1904.
3. Joseph H. Anglemyer, born October 5, 1908.
4. Forest E. Anglemyer, born February 26, 1911.
5. Mary E. Anglemyer, born November 5, 1913.

Fifth Generation

Elsie Anglemyer was married October 5, 1925 to Frank L. Royse, born September 8, 1894, son of John and Melvena (Higgins) Royse. He is an oil field worker. They live at 514 E. Third Street, Winfield, Kansas, and are members of the First Christian Church of Winfield.

They have a son:

1. Robert L. Royse, born December 18, 1926.

Fifth Generation

Emma Anglemyer was married November 9, 1926 to Elmer V. Baucom, born January 12, 1905, son of Joseph and Belle (Simms) Baucom. He is at present a truck driver. They live at 508 E. Third Street, Winfield, Kansas, and are members of the First Christian Church of Winfield.

Children:

1. Lora Belle Baucom, born December 9, 1927; died December 9, 1927.
2. Betty Lou Baucom, still-born January 12, 1929.
3. Marilyn Jean Baucom, born January 17, 1931.
4. Vernon Lee Baucom, born June 22, 1933.

Fifth Generation

Joseph H. Anglemyer is a salesman, lives at 514 E. Third St., Winfield, Kansas, and is a member of the Christian Church.

Fifth Generation

Forest E. Anglemyer was married January 16, 1933 to Elsie Farrar, born June 11, 1914, daughter of Joseph and Victoria (Brown) Farrar. He is employed in a flour mill. They live in Arkansas City, Kansas, and are members of the Christian Church.

Fifth Generation

Mary E. Anglemyer was married May 1, 1932 to Ray-

mond M. Davidson, born May 20, 1909, son of Samuel and Edna Shrilda (Weaver) Davidson. He is a welder.

They live at 821 E. Seventh Street, Winfield, Kansas, and are members of the First Christian Church.

To them was born:

1. Donald Dean Davidson, born June 27, 1934.

Fourth Generation

Charles Anglemyer was married August 24, 1897 to Lulu Gordon, born October 18, 1877 in Boone County, Indiana, daughter of Thomas and Lucinda (Shelley) Gordon. They live in Winfield, Kansas, 414 East 12th Street.

Children:

1. Alice Anglemyer, born July 20, 1898 at Nowata, Oklahoma.
2. Frank Anglemyer, born August 12, 1901 at Winfield, Kansas.
3. Gladys Anglemyer, born April 7, 1904 at Winfield, Kansas.
4. Anna Anglemyer, born February 8, 1907 at Winfield, Kansas.
5. Jacob Anglemyer, born August 12, 1910 at Winfield, Kansas.
6. June Anglemyer, born June 17, 1914 at Winfield, Kansas.
7. Charles Anglemyer, Jr., born August 8, 1917 at Towanda, Kansas.

Fifth Generation

Alice Anglemyer was married July 20, 1922 to August Zeien, son of John and Johanna Zeien. He was a soldier in the World War. They live on a farm near Winfield, Kansas.

Fifth Generation

Frank Anglemyer was married November 5, 1930 to Lucile Ingram. They live in Hominy, Oklahoma.

Fifth Generation

Gladys Anglemyer was married May 10, 1924 to Ralph Fralic, son of John and Florence Fralic. He is a tinner and they live in Winfield, Kansas.

Fifth Generation

Anna Anglemyer was married August 17, 1926 to Foster Clabough, son of Winton and Bertha (Bechtel) Clabough. They live in Winfield, Kansas.

Fifth Generation

Jacob Anglemyer is in the United States Army in Cuba, having enlisted on August 31, 1930 for three years, and re-enlisted August 31, 1933 for three more years.

Third Generation

Christiana Holdeman was married June 26, 1864 by Rev. Jacob Wisler to Samuel Hartman, born March 16, 1838 in Ashland County, Ohio, son of Adam and Elizabeth (Ramer) Hartman. In 1849 he came with his parents to Elkhart County, Indiana; they resided first in Harrison Township, and later moved to Union Township where he was reared on the Hartman homestead. After marriage Samuel and Christiana (Holdeman) Hartman lived three years on a farm in Harrison Township, Elkhart County, Indiana, then moved to Bronson, Branch County, Michigan, where they lived three years, and then returned to Elkhart County. Samuel and his brother, Jacob, operated a store in the town of Locke, and later Samuel had one alone in Hepton. Afterwards the brothers of Samuel opened the Hartman Bros. store in Nappanee, and Samuel operated a boarding house and livery barn there. He later went on the road as a buyer of butter and eggs, and finally moved to a small farm south of Elkhart. He died March 18, 1921, aged 83 years, 2 days.

Christiana Holdeman Hartman had been one of the pioneer teachers in the vicinity of Wakarusa. She taught at the Holdeman School in Olive Township, the Longstreet School in Locke Township, the Morningstar School in Harrison Township, and perhaps in others. They were members of the Mennonite Church.

Children:

1. Anna Hartman, born July 24, 1867 in Branch County, Michigan; died October 28, 1868.
2. Joseph Hartman, born September 28, 1869 in Branch County, Michigan.
3. Christian Hartman, born September 21, 1871 in Locke Township, Elkhart County, Indiana.
4. Cornelius Hartman, born November 24, 1874 in Locke Township, Elkhart County, Indiana. Single.
5. Elizabeth Hartman, born August 28, 1877 in Union Township, Elkhart County, Indiana.



Members of George Holdeman Family.

Top Row: Daniel J. Holdeman; Mr. and Mrs. Samuel W. Holdeman; George Anglemyer
Bottom Row: Mr. and Mrs. Abraham A. Holdeman; Mr. and Mrs. Conrad Grenert; Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Hartman

6. Elias Hartman, born January 7, 1882 in Locke Township, Elkhart County, Indiana.
7. Emma Hartman, born March 7, 1884.

Fourth Generation

Joseph Hartman was married June 9, 1894 to Sarah Catharine Billman, daughter of Charles and Mary (Kime) Billman. They were engaged in farming west of Goshen and were members of the Church of the Brethren.

Children, born in Harrison Township, Elkhart County, Indiana:

1. Olen Ray Hartman, born October 18, 1897.
2. Charles Warren Hartman, born April 7, 1901.
3. Sylvia Irene Hartman, born November 27, 1905.
4. Kenneth Hartman, born March 17, 1915.

Fifth Generation

Olen Ray Hartman was married March 9, 1918 to Dorothea Bechtel, born August 5, 1900, daughter of Amos and Amanda (Holdeman) Bechtel. They live in Wakarusa, Indiana, are members of the Mennonite Church, and he has been for many years a dealer in Watkins Products.

Children:

1. Erma Evangeline Hartman, born March 27, 1919.
2. Ray Carlyle Hartman, born May 5, 1921.

Fifth Generation

Charles Warren Hartman was married September 13, 1919 to Nora Ann Andrews, daughter of Frank and Etta (Conrad) Andrews. He has been employed by a coal company in Mishawaka, Indiana, where they live.

Children:

1. Evelyn Virginia Hartman, born December 10, 1919.
2. Peggy Louisa Hartman, born April 27, 1924.
3. Joseph Hartman, born December 24, 1925.
4. Charles Hartman, Jr., born February 13, 1931.
5. Barbara Etta Hartman, born September 8, 1932.

Fifth Generation

Sylvia Irene Hartman was married February 16, 1926 to Herman Joseph Moderau, born October 5, 1900 at Peru, Indiana, son of Frank and Anna (Kirden) Moderau. He is a foreman in the Adams-Westlake Co., Elkhart, Indiana, and they are members of the Catholic Church.

Children:

1. Herman Joseph Moderau, Jr., born January 27, 1929.
2. Joann Moderau, born February 16, 1932.

Fourth Generation

Christian Hartman was married November 14, 1895 to Amanda Weldy, daughter of Jacob and Emma (Kreider) Weldy.

Farmer. Milford, Indiana. Mennonite.

Fourth Generation

Elizabeth Hartman was married October 11, 1902 to Reuben Oliver Wise, born November 6, 1876 in Harrison Township, Elkhart County, Indiana, on the Wise homestead, now known as the Charles Husband farm, son of Samuel and Mary Elizabeth (Greenawalt) Wise. They lived on a farm two miles south of Elkhart on the Prairie Street road, and about 1922 moved to Wakarusa. They are members of the Mennonite Church.

Children:

1. Samuel Edgar Wise, born May 14, 1906; died August 31, 1927. Aged 21 years, 3 months, 13 days.
2. Cornelius Jay Wise, born May 29, 1910; died May 31, 1910.
3. Ophelia Mae Wise, born October 6, 1914; died October 31, 1914.

Samuel Edgar Wise was suddenly killed in the night by a Wabash passenger train near Wyatt, Indiana. He had been with the section crew, and was later employed as track walker at night. He was believed to have fallen asleep sitting on a rail.

Fourth Generation

Elias Hartman was married September 29, 1909 to Ophelia Seese, daughter of Joseph and Esther (Kline) Seese. They live on a farm south of Elkhart, and belong to the Church of the Brethren. No descendants.

Fourth Generation

Emma Hartman was married April 14, 1906 to Boyd Eugene Miller, born September 28, 1881 in Elkhart County, Indiana, son of Martin R. and Malinda Jane (Jeffries) Miller.

Farmer near Elkhart, Indiana. Methodist. No descendants.

Third Generation

Mary Holdeman was married August 7, 1864 by Rev. Christian S. Farber to Frederick Fox, born January 7, 1842 in Ashland County, Ohio. He died October 30, 1912, aged 70

years, 9 months, 23 days. Frederick and Mary (Holdeman) Fox were engaged in farming in Elkhart County, Indiana, and lived where Warren Holdeman now lives. In 1833 they removed to Clark County, Kansas, and settled on a 160-acre farm five miles from Englewood, Kansas. One and one-half years later they removed into Oklahoma, fifteen miles southwest of Englewood, where they homesteaded 160 acres, and lived the rest of their lives. Oklahoma at that time had not been organized into a state, and was a wild and lawless region, infested with robbery. There were no churches, although sometimes Sunday school and church services were held in school houses. Frederick and Mary (Holdeman) Fox were members of the Church of the Brethren.

The children of Frederick and Mary (Holdeman) Fox were:

1. Joseph Allen Fox, born February 2, 1865.
2. Anna C. Fox, born August 16, 1866; died June 26, 1907. Aged 40 years, 10 months, 10 days.
3. John H. Fox, born December 24, 1869.
4. Cornelius Fox, born May 4, 1872; died February 16, 1909. Aged 36 years, 9 months, 12 days.
5. Elias Fox, born May 1, 1874; died September 30, 1874.
6. Daniel Fox, born October 28, 1875; died November 2, 1879.
7. James Fox, born November 24, 1876; died October 11, 1879.
8. Katherine Fox, born July 17, 1879; died August 27, 1899. Aged 20 years, 1 month, 10 days.
9. Harriet Fox, born May 16, 1882.

Fourth Generation

Joseph Allen Fox was married November 1, 1890 to Arbella M. Hopkins, born September 19, 1871, daughter of John and Margaret (Davis) Hopkins. They live on a farm near Carmen, Oklahoma, are now retired, and are members of the Free Methodist Church.

Children:

1. John Frederick Fox, born July 24, 1891.
2. William Wesley Fox, born January 6, 1893.
3. Richard Webster Fox, born February 26, 1895.
4. Henry Lot Fox, born February 26, 1895.

5. Harriet Elletta Fox, born December 14, 1900.
6. Margaret Mary Fox, born November 21, 1908.

Fifth Generation

John Frederick Fox was married June 11, 1916 to Laura M. Westfall, born July 30, 1892, daughter of Daniel and Rozella (Burger) Westfall. He is a mechanic. They live at 2352 Onyx Street, Eugene, Oregon, and are affiliated with "The Open Bible Standard" Church of Eugene, Oregon.

Children:

1. Lawrence Allen Fox, born February 20, 1917.
2. Lewis Sylvester Fox, born February 20, 1917; died February 22, 1917.
3. James Alfred Fox, born February 3, 1918; died same day.
4. Sherman Pershing Fox, born April 14, 1919.
5. Ira Harding Fox, born March 23, 1921.
6. Gerald Fred Fox, born December 11, 1926.
7. Dansyle Joe Fox, born November 8, 1929.

Fifth Generation

William Wesley Fox was married March 29, 1916 to Florence M. Secrest, born December 13, 1896, daughter of Frank and Lena (McAttee) Secrest.

Farmer. Alva, Oklahoma, R. R. 2.

Children:

1. William Wesley Fox, born January 13, 1917.
2. Leota Florabella Fox, born December 19, 1918.
3. Frances Josephine Fox, born December 5, 1922; died January 5, 1923.
4. Harriet Viola Fox, born March 11, 1924.
5. Eva Mae Fox, born April 10, 1930.
6. Opal Catherine Fox, born July 30, 1932.
7. Allen Edwards Fox, born February 22, 1934.

Fifth Generation

Richard Webster Fox was married March 19, 1919 to Goldie O. White, born July 29, 1900, daughter of Joseph and Luella (Thorndyke) White.

Farmer. Alva, Oklahoma, R. R. 2.

Children:

1. Leora Pearl Fox, born February 14, 1920.
2. Richard Harold Fox, born March 25, 1924.

Fifth Generation

Henry Lot Fox was married January 10, 1916 to Eudora G. Vandruff, born February 11, 1895, daughter of Jesse and Ada (Smith) Vandruff.

Farmer. Hopton, Oklahoma.

Children:

1. Dorothy Belle Fox, born March 1, 1918.
2. Ada Myrle Fox, born November 3, 1919.
3. Richard Henry Fox, born May 25, 1921.
4. Harry Joseph Fox, born September 2, 1924.
5. Margaret Mary Jane Fox, born September 11, 1926.
6. Charley Wayne Fox, born September 10, 1928.
7. John Warbus Fox, born September 7, 1930.

Sixth Generation

Dorothy Belle Fox was married May 23, 1935 to Eldon Francis Johnson, born November 3, 1917, son of John and Margaret (Golfreth) Johnson.

Farmer and dairyman. Dacoma, Oklahoma.

One son:

1. Dickie Lee Johnson, born April 23, 1936.

Sixth Generation

Ada Myrle Fox was married November 29, 1936 to Clifford Doty, born December 1, 1918, son of Ross and Ethel (Parson) Doty.

Farmer. Dacoma, Oklahoma.

Fifth Generation

Harriet Elletta Fox was married November 16, 1922 to Isaac J. Case, born April 15, 1894, son of John and Catharine (Teeple) Case. Their address is Decatur, Indiana, R. R. 3.

Children:

1. Max Owen Case, born September 15, 1923.
2. James Wooder Case, born September 29, 1924.
3. Milton Lloyd Case, born August 20, 1926; died July 21, 1929.
4. Billy Jay Case, born July 4, 1928.
5. Donald D. Case, born March 15, 1931.
6. Wilma Joan Case, born July 24, 1933.

Fourth Generation

Anna C. Fox was married December 27, 1888 to Joseph Roland Sutherland, son of William and Lucy Sutherland. He was born July 21, 1860, and died July 15, 1932; aged

71 years, 11 months, 24 days. He was an early pioneer farmer and stockman, and they lived near Knowles, Oklahoma. Anna (Fox) Sutherland was a member of the Church of the Brethren.

Children:

1. William Frederick Sutherland, born October 1, 1889.
2. Ida Myrtle Sutherland, born October 15, 1891.
3. Roy Roland Sutherland, born February 20, 1894.
4. Hattie Rose Sutherland, born September 23, 1896; died March 4, 1909.
5. Lucy Mary Sutherland, born July 27, 1900.
6. Edna Anna Sutherland, born March 13, 1905.

Fifth Generation

William Frederick Sutherland was married March 2, 1911 to Lulu B. Kitchin, born July 8, 1875. He is engaged in farming and stock raising, and they live near Englewood, in Clark County, Kansas. Methodist.

Fifth Generation

Ida Myrtle Sutherland was married December 22, 1908 to Virgil J. Miller, born February 11, 1886, son of David and Catherine Miller. They are engaged in farming in Prowers County, near Lycan, Colorado, R. R. 1.

Children:

1. Anna Kathryn Miller, born December 17, 1909.
2. Roland Miller, born May 18, 1921.
3. Bobby Miller, born July 1, 1924.
4. David Miller, born January 7, 1931.

Sixth Generation

Anna Kathryn Miller was married July 15, 1926 to William A. Mussmann, son of Henry and Anna Mussmann. They are engaged in farming near Lycan, Colorado, R. R. 1.

Children:

1. Mary Louise Mussman, born November 23, 1928.
2. Ruby Pearl Mussmann, born February 13, 1931.

Fifth Generation

Roy Roland Sutherland was married August 2, 1917 to Bertha McAtee, born January 16, 1901, daughter of Norman and Alice McAtee. He was in the army during the World War and learned to be a cook. He is a farmer and stock raiser, and they live near Knowles, in Beaver County, Oklahoma.

Children :

1. Hattie Rose Sutherland, born September 22, 1918.
2. Helen Anita Sutherland, born June 2, 1921.
3. Roy Roland Sutherland, born November 28, 1923.
4. Eugene Allen Sutherland, born November 15, 1926.

Sixth Generation

Hattie Rose Sutherland was married August 30, 1936 to Ralph Hester, born October 21, 1910, son of Jessie and Pearl (Bailey) Hester.

Farmer. Gate, Oklahoma.

Fifth Generation

Lucy Mary Sutherland was married July 18, 1923 to Leonard Leeland Fawcett, born November 13, 1898 at Wichita, Kansas, son of Thomas and Jessie (Foster) Fawcett. He is an electrician. They live at 311 South Elm St., Ponca City, Oklahoma, and are members of the First Baptist Church.

Children :

1. Marilyn Joyce Fawcett, born June 25, 1931.
2. William Leeland Fawcett, born May 25, 1934.

Fifth Generation

Edna Anna Sutherland was married June 23, 1929 to Raymond Lee Caskey, born May 7, 1903 at Cooperton, Oklahoma, son of Charles D. and Nettie (Stephens) Caskey. He is a professor of mathematics. They live at 604 North Lake Street, Ponca City, Oklahoma, and are members of the First Baptist Church.

One son :

1. Donald Ray Caskey, born September 24, 1936.

Fourth Generation

John H. Fox was married June 26, 1893 to Sarah L. Evans, born December 23, 1874, daughter of George and Elizabeth (Clayton) Evans. They live on a farm near Harper, Kansas. They and the members of their family are affiliated with Protestant churches.

Children :

1. Ira Obrey Fox, born July 27, 1894.
2. Olen Ward Fox, born May 5, 1896.
3. Russell George Fox, born August 29, 1899.
4. Earl Frederick Fox, born January 26, 1902.
5. Harold Ulysses Fox, born May 17, 1904.
6. Kenneth Raymond Fox, born September 17, 1907.

7. Dorothy Marselle Fox, born March 9, 1911.
8. Ola Ruth Fox, born August 11, 1915.

Fifth Generation

Ira Obrey Fox was married November 21, 1917 to Mary Robertson, born August 11, 1896, daughter of Robert and Clara (Wangler) Robertson.

Produce man. Harper, Kansas.

Children:

1. Carroll Clifford Fox, born July 6, 1919.
2. Sarah Catherine Fox, born December 21, 1921.
3. Clinton Allen Fox, born July 11, 1932.

Fifth Generation

Olen Ward Fox was married January 24, 1918 to Twila Wagoner, born March 26, 1896, daughter of Frank and Mary (Gish) Wagoner.

Farmer. Harper, Kansas.

Children:

1. Mary LaVine Fox, born September 19, 1919.
2. Doris Marie Fox, born November 2, 1921.
3. John Franklin Fox, born October 25, 1924.
4. Wagoner Lee Fox, born June 29, 1927.

Fifth Generation

Russell George Fox was married April 16, 1921 to Minnie Kiser, born January 8, 1903, daughter of Fred and Elizabeth (Malone) Kiser.

Farmer. Harper, Kansas.

Children:

1. Russell Eugene Fox, born January 1, 1924; died same day.
2. Donis Marie Fox, born October 7, 1926.
3. Max Edwin Fox, born December 17, 1927.

Fifth Generation

Earl Frederick Fox was married July 19, 1924 to Frances Wisler, born September 17, 1903, daughter of Curtis and Getta (Teeter) Wisler.

Farmer. Harper, Kansas.

Children:

1. Wanda Faye Fox, born October 31, 1926.
2. Norma Lee Fox, born October 31, 1926.
3. Dale Eugene Fox, born December 24, 1930.

Fifth Generation

Harold Ulysses Fox was married December 12, 1926 to

Lily Trollope, born November 20, 1906, daughter of Walter and Bessie (Palmer) Trollope.

Mechanic. Harper, Kansas.

Children:

1. Bessie Theone Fox, born July 15, 1927.
2. Harold Fox, Jr., born September 20, 1928.
3. Edna Mae Fox, born March 28, 1929.
4. Naomi Faye Fox, born March 28, 1930.
5. Mary Jeane Fox, born July 13, 1931.
6. Walter John Fox, born August 15, 1933.

Fifth Generation

Kenneth Raymond Fox was married February 10, 1934 to Etna Galloway born November 8, 1913, daughter of William and Bertha (Huddleston) Galloway.

Farmer. Harper, Kansas.

Children:

1. Lewanna Jean Fox, born January 24, 1934.

Fifth Generation

Dorothy Marselle Fox was married September 3, 1936 to Benjamin Berry, born September 26, 1912, son of Benjamin Berry. He is at present employed by a florist.

Fifth Generation

Ola Ruth Fox was married July 4, 1936 to Ellis Redfern, born June 9, 1913, son of Lena (Shaw) Redfern. He is at present a painter.

Fourth Generation

Cornelius Fox was married December 23, 1903 to Daisy Cora Nelson, born July 6, 1880, daughter of George and Sarah (Spencer) Nelson. He was a farmer, and at the time of his death lived at Englewood, Kansas, to which place he had gone from Oklahoma in 1906. He was a member of the Odd Fellows Lodge.

Children:

1. Donnie Thomas Fox, born February 13, 1905; died March 28, 1935. Aged 30 years, 1 month, 15 days.
2. Gracie Laura Fox, born August 14, 1906.
3. Corah Ellen Fox, born September 17, 1908.

Donnie Thomas Fox was a farmer and was not married.

Corah Ellen Fox is a public school teacher, and has taught near Fairview, Oklahoma.

Fifth Generation

Gracie Laura Fox was married in 1929 to Arthur H. W.

Cain, born February 22, 1900, son of William H. and Annie (Brandon) Cain. They live at Longdale, Oklahoma.

One son was born:

1. Melvin Leroy Cain, born March 22, 1932.

Fourth Generation

Harriet Fox was married May 26, 1901 to Alfred E. Erikson, born May 6, 1880, son of Hans M. and Anna Marie (Hanson) Erikson. Their occupation is farming and they have for the last eighteen years operated a filling station. Englewood, Kansas. Methodist.

Children:

1. Frederick Harris Erikson, born September 7, 1902; died September 10, 1902.
2. Alice Viola Erikson, born February 28, 1904.
3. Beulah Rebecca Erikson, born September 20, 1906; died March 11, 1907.
4. Wallace Wane Erikson, born August 10, 1908.

Fifth Generation

Alice Viola Erikson was married November 26, 1921 to Newell A. Harrington, born May 13, 1900, son of Virgil H. and Alice (Haskins) Harrington.

Farmer. Englewood, Kansas.

Children:

1. Nellie Marie Harrington, born November 17, 1927.
2. Warren Kieth Harrington, born February 14, 1930.
3. Ray Carl Harrington, born February 13, 1937.

Fifth Generation

Wallace Wane Erikson was married May 28, 1931 to Geneva Funk, born March 7, 1911, daughter of Claud and Nellie (DeFord) Funk. They met while he was attending the State Normal School at Pittsburg, Kansas. He is a school teacher at present located at Larned Kansas. They are members of the Church of Christ.

Third Generation

Catharine Holdeman was married April 15, 1866 by Samuel Holdeman, Justice of the Peace, to Conrad Grenert, who was born February 24, 1844 and died November 13, 1916. He was the son of John Michael and Barbara (Kolp) Grenert, who sailed from Germany about the year 1833 and settled in Seneca County, Ohio, where Conrad was born. When he was six years old they moved to St. Joseph County, Indiana. There they purchased a farm

on the bank of the St. Joseph River in the territory where the city of South Bend is now located. Later they moved to Missouri, and then back to a farm near Walkerton, in St. Joseph County, Indiana, where Conrad spent the early part of his life. Catharine Holdeman and Conrad Grenert were affiliated with the Brethren Church and followed farming as their occupation. They farmed first on the George Holdeman farm, one and one-half miles west and one-half mile south of Wakarusa; they later moved to Starke County, near Grovertown, where they lived twenty years, then lived a short time in Cass County south of Logansport, and finally returned to a farm in St. Joseph County near Walkerton. Catharine Holdeman Grenert is the oldest living descendant recorded in this book.

Children:

1. Franklin Grenert, born February 9, 1867, in Elkhart County, Indiana; died January 28, 1936. Aged 68 years, 11 months, 19 days.
2. Harriet Grenert, born April 19, 1868; died February 17, 1927. Aged 58 years, 9 months, 28 days.
3. Samuel Grenert, born March 21, 1874.
4. Henry J. Grenert, born March 13, 1877; died January 7, 1934. Aged 56 years, 9 months, 24 days.

Fourth Generation

Franklin Grenert was married September 22, 1889 to Eliza Jane Caywood, who was born in Hancock County, Ohio January 8, 1873, and died March 27, 1912. She was the daughter of Alpheus and Maggie (Wallace) Caywood. After living for a time in Starke County, Indiana, then in Fulton County, Indiana, and later in Kosciusko County, they moved in 1901 to South Bend where he was a factory employee.

Children:

1. Alva James Grenert, born August 24, 1893 in Starke County, Indiana.
2. Bessie E. Grenert, born May 3, 1897 in Kosciusko County, Indiana.

Fifth Generation

Alva James Grenert was married December 26, 1922 to Vera Edith Overholt, born March 15, 1905 in Union Township, St. Joseph County, Indiana, daughter of Marion Lovern and Lillie Nancee Mae (Nettrour) Overholt. They live

on a farm near Lakeville, in St. Joseph County, Indiana.

Children:

1. Della Esther Grenert, born August 19, 1924; died August 20, 1924.
2. Walter Owen Grenert, born September 21, 1925.
3. William C. Grenert, born March 21, 1927.
4. Catherine Fern Grenert, born September 9, 1929.
5. Jesse Franklin Grenert, born July 11, 1931.
6. Martha Mae Grenert, born March 18, 1933.
7. Margaret Mary Grenert, born March 18, 1933.
8. Elmer Louis Grenert, born October 12, 1934.

All the above children were born in Liberty Township, St. Joseph County, Indiana, except the first two, who were born in Lakeville, Union Township, St. Joseph County, Indiana.

Fifth Generation

Bessie E. Grenert was married December 25, 1913 to John W. Keefer, son of Daniel and Mary Jane (Morehouse) Keefer. He is a steel saw operator at the Bantam Ball Bearing Company, South Bend, Indiana, and they live at 211 North Notre Dame Street.

Children:

1. Harriet Jane Keefer, born April 1, 1915; died November 24, 1933. Aged 18 years, 7 months, 23 days.
2. Mary Catherine Keefer, born February 11, 1921.
3. Lois Jean Keefer, born May 27, 1927.

Sixth Generation

Harriet Jane Keefer was married April 1, 1933 to Robert Frye. They lived in South Bend. No children.

Fourth Generation

Harriet Grenert was married October 2, 1887 to George Melvin Sprague. He was born November 13, 1864. They lived on a farm near Tyner, Indiana, until 1923, when they moved to Plymouth, Indiana. United Brethren.

Children, born in Stark County, Indiana:

1. Melvin Benjamin Sprague, born June 1, 1889.
2. Anna Catherine Sprague, born July 10, 1891.
3. Inez Leona Sprague, born October 18, 1893.

Fifth Generation

Melvin Benjamin Sprague was married June 1, 1912 to Maybelle Mae Wright. She has been for many years a public school teacher, and is at present teaching at Inwood,

Indiana. They live in Plymouth, Indiana, where he is in the insurance business. Methodist.

One child:

1. George Melvin Sprague, Jr., born September 11, 1913.

George Melvin Sprague, Jr., graduated June 1, 1935 from Indiana Central College.

Fifth Generation

Anna Catherine Sprague was married August 18, 1913 to Arthur Ruff, born January 4, 1891 at Tyner, Marshall County, Indiana. He is an axle assembler at the Studebaker Corporation in South Bend. They live in Plymouth, Indiana, and are members of the United Brethren Church.

Children, born in Plymouth, Indiana:

1. Raymond Oren Ruff, born May 12, 1916.
2. Lucille Ruff, born October 6, 1919.

Raymond Oren Ruff graduated from the South Bend Business College June 1, 1935.

Fifth Generation

Inez Leona Sprague was married August 18, 1913 to William Earl Stoneburner. He is a professor of Education in Indiana Central College, Indianapolis, Indiana, and received the B. A. degree from Indiana Central College in 1924, and the M. A. degree from Indiana University in 1927.

Children:

1. Alva Eugene Stoneburner, born May 15, 1919.
2. Margaret Marcelle Stoneburner, born June 29, 1928.

Fourth Generation

Samuel Grenert was married May 4, 1901 to Dora Maurer, daughter of Allen and Martha (Haun) Maurer. She was born December 14, 1873 and died November 7, 1934. They lived on a farm near Walkerton, Indiana.

Children:

1. Cleo M. Grenert, born February 9, 1902.
2. Vernice Viola Grenert, born September 17, 1903.
3. John A. Grenert, born May 12, 1905.
4. Claude Russell Grenert, born June 22, 1909.

Samuel Grenert was married the second time to Ida (Brown) Geyer.

Fifth Generation

Cleo M. Grenert was married October 8, 1932 to Elmer Herr, son of Benjamin and Caroline (Smeltzer) Herr.

Farmer. Walkerton, Indiana. Church of the Brethren.
To them was born:

1. Bonneta Lou Herr, born January 16, 1934.

Fifth Generation

Vernice Viola Grenert was married August 18, 1923 to Floyd Wilson, son of Perry and Ida (Delotes) Wilson. He is a minister in the United Brethren Church, and is at present located at Grass Creek, Indiana.

Children:

1. Ila Dean Wilson, born March 9, 1924.
2. Dora Belle Wilson, born February 7, 1926.
3. Gwendolyn Katharine Wilson, born November 2, 1927.
4. Idelpha Jean Wilson, born April 25, 1929.
5. Lovell Joan Wilson, born October 18, 1931.

Fifth Generation

John A. Grenert was married June 6, 1925 to Dorothy May Ritzman, daughter of Lee and Lulu (Thompson) Ritzman.

Farmer. Walkerton, Indiana.

Children:

1. Twila L. Grenert, born May 8, 1926.
2. Thelma Lucile Grenert, born May 24, 1930.
3. Ronald Lee Grenert, born June 21, 1934.

Fifth Generation

Claude Russell Grenert was married October 17, 1931 to Louise Foster, daughter of James and Minnie (Sharp) Foster.

Farmer. Walkerton, Indiana. United Brethren Church.

Fourth Generation

Henry J. Grenert was married August 27, 1901 to Eva C. Finton, daughter of David and Emma (Henry) Finton. She was born November 17, 1880, and died August 12, 1935. She was a Presbyterian. He was a mechanic, was employed by the Studebaker Corporation, and later was a foreman in the South Bend Lathe Works. He was a 32nd degree Mason, and an Odd Fellow. Their address was 426 North Notre Dame Street, South Bend.

Children:

1. James Paul Grenert, born December 8, 1904.
2. Robert Lee Grenert, born August 18, 1919.

Fifth Generation

James Paul Grenert was married May 15, 1926 to Bertha

Knope, born May 17, 1905, daughter of John and Paulina (Weisjohn) Knope. He has been a clerk in the cost accounting department of The Studebaker Corporation. Presbyterian. 430 North Notre Dame Street, South Bend, Indiana.

Children:

1. Neva June Grenert, born December 7, 1926.
2. Dolores Mae Grenert, born May 1, 1929.
3. Donna Marie Grenert, born September 25, 1934; died December 14, 1934.

Third Generation

Christian E. Holdeman was married April 10, 1870 to Emeline Bell, born January 26, 1846, daughter of Jacob and Mary (Drake) Bell. In the spring of 1876 they moved to Starke County, Indiana, where they bought a farm one mile south of Grovertown in Oregon Township, and where they lived until Christian's death on February 6, 1918. Emeline died on December 6, 1923.

Children:

1. Orlando U. Holdeman, born April 9, 1871; died June 9, 1911. Aged 40 years, 2 months.
2. Linden R. Holdeman, born September 10, 1872.
3. Janette Holdeman, born October 18, 1874.
4. Josephine Holdeman, born February 24, 1878.
5. Austin C. Holdeman, born November 20, 1880; died August 7, 1913. Aged 32 years, 8 months, 17 days.
6. Melvin Holdeman, born April 19, 1882; died October 15, 1885. Aged 3 years, 5 months, 26 days.
7. Alvira Holdeman, born August 28, 1884; died November 4, 1918. Aged 34 years, 2 months, 6 days.
8. Nellie Holdeman, born January 6, 1889; died January 20, 1889.

Linden Holdeman, unmarried, is a contractor at Grovertown, Indiana.

Austin C. Holdeman had been an employee of the Standard Oil Co., at South Chicago, Illinois. Unmarried.

Fourth Generation

Orlando U. Holdeman was married January 10, 1891 to Ruey P. Uncapher, daughter of Andrew J. and Mary (McCormick) Uncapher. He graduated from the Valparaiso Law School and practiced law in South Bend, Indiana.

Later he removed to Porter, Oklahoma, where he continued his career as a lawyer until his death. On October 16, 1897, at the time they were living in Valparaiso, Ruey P. (Uncapher) Holdeman died.

Children:

1. Sylvia Ione Holdeman, born February 27, 1892.
2. Eldon Holdeman, born October 12, 1897; died October 13, 1897.

Orlando U. Holdeman was married the second time July 22, 1898 to Myrtle Holloway. They were divorced in 1901, and on November 6, 1904 he was married to Clara O'Brien. He was a member of the United Brethren Church.

Fifth Generation

Sylvia Ione Holdeman was married October 1, 1913 at Grovertown, Indiana to Harry H. Kraft, son of Charles and Katherine Kraft of Germany.

Two sons were born:

1. Harry Carwin Kraft, born August 3, 1914 at Grovertown, Indiana.
2. Loren Charles Kraft, born June 2, 1918 at Holland, Michigan.

They were divorced April 1, 1920 at Grand Haven, Michigan, after which she moved to Hamlet, Indiana, and did dress-making.

Sylvia Ione Holdeman was married the second time June 30, 1929 at Knox, Indiana to Raymond Edwin Morse, son of Devere and Ida (Morris) Morse. Their present address is Hamlet, Indiana.

Fourth Generation

Janette Holdeman was married December 25, 1895 to John William Beach, born June 26, 1872, son of Harvey and Martha Jane (Smith) Beach. He died October 27, 1919.

1145 East Sorin Street, South Bend, Indiana. Methodist.
Children:

1. Howard Beach, born July 18, 1908.
2. Philip Beach, born February 25, 1916.

Howard Beach is a metal pattern maker and his brother is a mechanical draftsman; both live in South Bend.

Fourth Generation

Josephine Holdeman was married November 24, 1895 to Thomas B. Walsh, born June 14, 1876, son of Peter and

Lydia (Brinkley) Walsh. They live near Walkerton, Indiana, on a farm and are members of the United Brethren Church.

Children:

1. Marvin Clarice Walsh, born April 27, 1896; died June 10, 1916. Aged 20 years, 1 month, 13 days.
2. Sybil Burdette Walsh, born July 4, 1897.
3. Katharine Janette Walsh, born August 3, 1898; died December 3, 1933. Aged 35 years, 4 months.
4. Graydon Maurice Walsh, born July 13, 1905; died August 31, 1934. Aged 29 years, 1 month, 16 days.
5. Ardys Virginia Walsh, born May 5, 1916.

Fifth Generation

Sybil Burdette Walsh was married to Paul R. Charn. Salesman. Rockford, Ill.

Children:

1. Robert Lee Charn, born July 22, 1912.
2. Marvin Eugene Charn, born August 20, 1916.

Fourth Generation

Alvira Holdeman was married June 26, 1911 to Oscar Anderson. They lived in Gary, Indiana, where he was a steel worker.

Fifth Generation

Katharine Janette Walsh was married December 3, 1919 to Harry Gumbert, Jr. They lived on a farm near Grovertown, in Starke County, Indiana.

Children:

1. Betty Belle Gumbert, born July 31, 1920.
2. Edith Geraldine Gumbert, born December 26, 1931.

Fifth Generation

Graydon Maurice Walsh was married May 12, 1934 to Betty Crause. They lived in South Bend, Indiana, where he was employed by the Indiana-Michigan Electric Co.

Fifth Generation

Ardys Virginia Walsh was married August 14, 1932 to William Carter. They live in Indiana Harbor, Indiana, and he is employed in the Gary Steel Mills.

Children:

1. Virginia Lee Carter, born February 8, 1933.
2. Joan Joyce Carter, born May 7, 1934.



Members of George Holdeman Family.

Top Row: Mr. and Mrs. Cornelius L. Holdeman; Mary Holdeman Fox; Frederick Fox
Bottom Row: Mr. and Mrs. Christian E. Holdeman; Mr. and Mrs. Lenus Miller; Elias L. Holdeman

Third Generation

Susanna Holdeman was married September 30, 1883 to Lenus Miller, born July 27, 1861, in Chicago, Illinois, son of Joseph and Ursula Miller. They live in Nappanee, Indiana, where Lenus is a lumber and coal dealer and where he has served on the town board.

Children.

1. George Eugene Miller, born March 2, 1884; died October 24, 1885.
2. Sylvia Eugenia Miller, born March 13, 1887.
3. Guy Kenneth Miller, born November 23, 1889; died January 30, 1890.
4. Florence Mabel Miller, born March 3, 1891.
5. Wilma Hazel Miller, born March 11, 1894.
6. Herbert Roscoe Miller, born November 29, 1900.

Fourth Generation

Sylvia Eugenia Miller had been a bookkeeper, and was married August 29, 1914 to Vernon S. Culp, born September 6, 1889, son of Henry and Catherine (Weber) Culp of Nappanee, Indiana. They live in Akron, Ohio, 837 Berwyn Street. Vernon S. Culp has been head of the Science Department, West High School, and President of the North Eastern Ohio Chemistry Teachers Organization. He is a graduate of Goshen College and has the M. A. degree from Indiana University. He has taught in the Akron High Schools since 1915 and at present is one of six councillors at West High School. This work is administrative and similar to that of Assistant Principal.

Children:

1. Eugene Miller Culp, born July 12, 1915.
2. Julia Elaine Culp, born April 22, 1919.

Fourth Generation

Florence Mabel Miller was married June 11, 1932 to Robert George Warren, born January 28, 1883 at White Cloud, Michigan, son of George and Almira (Hornbeck) Warren. They live in Nappanee, Indiana, and he is employed as a decorator by the G. L. Lamb Novelty Works. Florence had been before marriage a bookkeeper for nineteen years.

Fourth Generation

Wilma Hazel Miller was a bookkeeper, and was married June 8, 1918 to Captain George J. Nold of the 2nd Engi-

neers, U. S. Army. He was the son of Jacob and Margaret (Meyer) Nold. His work as army engineer has taken him to many parts of the United States and abroad.

Children:

1. Robert George Nold, born January 2, 1923; died August 7, 1930.
2. James Miller Nold, born February 12, 1928.

Fourth Generation

Herbert Roscoe Miller is a graduate of Depauw University and has been teaching in the mathematics department of the Anderson, Indiana, High School since graduation. In 1924 he married Mildred Bonge of Anderson. On August 22, 1936, in New York City, Herbert Roscoe Miller married Jane Frese, who is director of public health nursing in Anderson. She is a graduate of Indiana University and has attended Columbia University for post graduate studies in public health nursing.

Third Generation

Elias L. Holdeman was married April 18, 1888 to Elizabeth Miller, born March 18, 1871 in Germany, daughter of Charles and Caroline Miller. She died January 26, 1892; aged 20 years, 10 months, 8 days. Elias L. Holdeman had been a school teacher near Gettysburg, South Dakota. After marriage he lived south of Elkhart, Indiana, and was employed in a tile mill. While living there his first wife died. Since December 19, 1896 he has lived near Rector, Arkansas, where he is a farmer, and affiliated with the Seventh Day Adventist Church.

Children, born in Elkhart County, Indiana:

1. Mary Edna Holdeman, born February 10, 1889; died April 1, 1931. Aged 42 years, 1 month, 21 days.
2. Roy Harold Holdeman, born January 22, 1892.

Elias L. Holdeman was married January 1, 1893 to Sarah E. C. Sweet, born February 25, 1860 at Marion, Grant County, Indiana.

Fourth Generation

Mary Edna Holdeman was married June 7, 1908 to Robert Franklin Pickney, born June 12, 1886, son of Julius Exhavier and Mary Louise Pickney.

Farmer. Seventh Day Adventist. Hoxie, Arkansas.

Children :

1. Louis Exhavier Pickney, born April 3, 1909.
2. Pansy Elizabeth Pickney, born March 22, 1911.
3. Ralph Elias Pickney, born March 31, 1913.
4. Lillie Louisa Pickney, born May 23, 1915.
5. Marie Rosalyn Pickney, born November 28, 1918.
6. Robert LeRoy Pickney, born July 27, 1921.
7. Violet Fern Pickney, born November 5, 1924.
8. Millard Cecil Pickney, born January 19, 1927.

Fifth Generation

Louis Exhavier Pickney was married December 12, 1936 to Margaret Flipps.

Fifth Generation

Pansy Elizabeth Pickney was married August 31, 1929 to Ireland Harmon Medlock, son of Houston and Janie Medlock.

Farmer. Church of Christ. Portia, Arkansas.

To this union was born :

1. Helen Berniece Medlock, born November 16, 1930.

Fifth Generation

Ralph Elias Pickney was married September 28, 1934 to Agnes Lorine Kildaw, daughter of Oswell and Sally Kildaw.

Children :

1. Ralph Vernon Pickney, born September 3, 1935; died in August, 1936.
2. Harold Pickney, born December 1, 1936.

Fifth Generation

Lillie Louisa Pickney was married October 20, 1934 to James Alfred McMillan, son of Joseph Herman and Rosie Viola McMillan. Pentecostal.

A daughter was born :

1. Shirley Jean McMillan, born September 12, 1935.

Fourth Generation

Roy Harold Holdeman was married February 25, 1917 to Harriet Bell Miller, daughter of William and Elizabeth Miller. She was born near Black Rock, Arkansas, and died October 3, 1934. He has been for twenty-five years a button cutter, and lives near Black Rock, Arkansas.

Children :

1. Lillian Elizabeth Holdeman, born December 19, 1917.

2. Rosella May Holdeman, born June 2, 1920.
3. Edith Elora Holdeman, born October 12, 1921.
4. Agnes Faye Holdeman, born July 19, 1923.

Third Generation

Cornelius L. Holdeman was married in South Dakota to Lillian Ham. He had been a school teacher for about four years in Elkhart County, Indiana, and had accepted the Seventh Day Adventist faith there. In the autumn of 1882 he left Indiana and went to South Dakota, where he was a colporteur. He also attended school at College View, now Union College, a Seventh Day Adventist school near Lincoln, Nebraska. He studied German there and worked among Germans. In the autumn of 1898 he removed to California where he worked five years in the St. Helena Sanitarium. The remainder of his life was spent in Alberta, Canada. His address there was Ponoka, and he farmed to some extent. For a number of years he acted as field missionary secretary of the Alberta Conference, and was sent five hundred miles north along the Snake River in the interests of missions. His wife accompanied him in a spring wagon amongst Indians and reindeer.

CATHARINE HOLDEMAN LANDIS FAMILY

Second Generation

✓ CATHARINE HOLDEMAN was married March 21, 1839 to Frederick Landis, born March 25, 1814 in Lancaster County, Pennsylvania, son of Jacob and Barbara (Garber) Landis. He died December 7, 1893, aged 79 years, 8 months, 12 days.

Frederick Landis left Lancaster County at the age of twenty-one, and with five other men journeyed to Ohio with three horses, which they rode in turns. After his marriage to Catherine Holdeman he resided in Wayne County, near Wooster, Ohio, until 1848. He then purchased eighty acres of farm land in Elkhart Township, Elkhart County, near Goshen, Indiana. In January, 1848, the family set out for the new home with two two-horse wagons and a one-horse spring wagon, which was driven by Catharine with the children and bedding as her charge. They expected the trip to take three weeks, but an early spring delayed their progress over the muddy roads of that period. When they reached the "black swamp" in western Ohio, they were obliged to purchase oxen for the loaded wagons. Three weeks were spent in crossing the swamp. They arrived March 1, 1848. The site for the new home had thirteen acres partially cleared and two log houses, one of hewn logs and one of round logs. There was also a still house which was used as a stable.

Much of the timber was hard maple. Here the Indians had come each year to make maple sugar, for there were springs and a running brook. In time a comfortable farm house was built, which was their home for many years. Both Catherine and Frederick spent the remainder of their lives in this home. In addition to rearing a large family of their own, they took into their home and brought up a number of other children, including Elias L., Cornelius L., and Frederick L. Holdeman. All of their children became teachers in the public schools of Elkhart County, Indiana, and a large number of later generations of their descend-

ants served in the teaching profession. Frederick and Catherine (Holdeman) Landis were members of the Menonite Church, and attended services at the Yellow Creek Congregation.

Children:

1. Jacob Landis, born February 18, 1840; died in infancy.
2. Anna Landis, born October 4, 1841; died March 3, 1923. Aged 81 years, 4 months, 29 days.
3. Joseph H. Landis, born March 24, 1843; died October 8, 1920. Aged 77 years, 6 months, 14 days.
4. Barbara Landis, born May 4, 1845; died May 3, 1935. Aged 89 years, 11 months, 29 days.
5. David Landis, born April 4, 1847; died September 5, 1916. Aged 69 years, 5 months, 1 day.
6. Amos Judson Landis, born February 14, 1849; died March 23, 1924. Aged 75 years, 1 month, 9 days.
7. Christiana Landis, born June 14, 1850; died July 7, 1926. Aged 76 years, 23 days.
8. Henry Beecher Landis, born August 25, 1852; died December 1, 1934. Aged 82 years, 3 months, 6 days.
9. William Landis, born February 13, 1855; died October 28, 1871. Aged 16 years, 8 months, 15 days.
10. Jennie (Mary Jane) Landis, born December 28, 1857.
11. Catharine S. Landis, born April 29, 1860; died March 25, 1861. Aged 10 months, 25 days.
12. Aaron F. Landis, born January 29, 1864; died February 5, 1865. Aged 1 year, 6 days.
13. Emma Josephine Landis, born January 14, 1866; died June 4, 1896. Aged 30 years, 4 months, 20 days.

Third Generation

Anna Landis was married December 25, 1860 to Dr. Samuel C. Culp, born May 11, 1836 near Youngstown, Ohio, son of Michael and Elizabeth (Knopp) Culp. Anna Landis was born near Wooster, Ohio, where she spent her early childhood. She then came with the family migration by covered wagon to Indiana. Being the oldest daughter, she early became self-reliant and capable. Her mother, in true pioneer fashion, worked much in the fields. Anna was responsible for the work of the household, and at fourteen years of age did a woman's work. She lived the life of a pioneer girl in her early years, wearing homespun clothing, hand knitted stockings, and hand-cobbled shoes, made by

the journeyman cobbler who came to the home and made the shoes for the family. It was part of Anna's work to gather and prepare rye straw from which she made hats for her father and brothers. She attended district school, and from time to time attended evening classes in spelling, singing and geography. Later she was hired as teacher's assistant in a district which had an enrollment too large for one teacher. After her marriage to Samuel C. Culp she devoted herself to her home and children. Her own meager advantages for education in a pioneer home prompted her to secure better opportunities for her children than she had known. In this, her husband seconded her aims and efforts. Anna Landis Culp was known as an excellent wife and mother, sympathetic and helpful neighbor, a lover of flowers which she grew successfully. She lived to the age of eighty-one years, and was active and busy practically to the end. In 1856 Samuel C. Culp moved to Indiana, where he was for several years a teacher. Following the custom of the time he "read medicine" with a successful physician, Henry Heatwole. In 1864 he settled in Constantine, Michigan, where he practiced medicine; later he entered the medical school of the University of Pennsylvania, from which he received his M. D. degree in 1871, and then returned to Constantine. He died September 16, 1910 at Constantine, Michigan.

Children:

1. Cynthia Jane Culp, born December 22, 1861.
2. Melvin Frederick Culp, born December 21, 1863; died March 19, 1901.
3. Edith Elma Culp, born March 13, 1865.
4. Arthur Napoleon Culp, born July 30, 1868.
5. Orley Manford Culp, born July 29, 1871; died May 3, 1935.
6. Gertrude Ethel Culp, born March 22, 1873.

Fourth Generation

Cynthia Jane Culp was married August 9, 1893 to Bion Henry Culver, born May 14, 1857 at Oswego, New York, son of Truman H. and Catherine Ann (Campbell) Culver. He was a school man, and a graduate of the University of Nebraska with the Bachelor of Science degree. He had also taken a post graduate course at the University of Munich, Germany. Cynthia Jane (Culp) Culver was a



Frederick and Catharine Holdeman Landis seated.

Left to right: David Landis, Henry B. Landis, Christiana (Mrs. Franklin Stealy), Barbara (Mrs. Hiram Kinnison), Emma (Mrs. John L. Belt), Joseph H., Jennie (Mrs. L. C. Caldwell), Amos Judson, Anna (Mrs. Samuel C. Culp). This picture was taken in 1880.

teacher and taught in the public schools of Michigan, Nebraska, and Iowa. They live in Hubbard, Iowa, and are members of the Presbyterian Church.

Children:

1. Helen Louise Culver, born January 18, 1897.
2. Edith Culver, born July 15, 1902; died November 18, 1903.
3. Eugene Floyd Culver, born September 27, 1904.

Fifth Generation

Helen Louise Culver is a graduate of the University of Iowa and a teacher in the Farragut High School, Chicago, Illinois.

Fifth Generation

Eugene Floyd Culver was married June 14, 1932 to Vera Elizabeth Ziegenbusch, born June 16, 1904, at Allegan, Michigan, daughter of William Henry and Catherine (Forstbauer) Ziegenbusch. She graduated in 1926 from Olivet College, Olivet, Michigan, and from 1926 to 1932 was a foreign language teacher at Constantine, Michigan. Eugene Floyd Culver spent most of his youth in Hubbard, Iowa. He later went to Michigan, where they lived in Constantine. Their present address is Chicago, Illinois, and he is employed by the Western Electric Co. They are actively interested in Scout work.

One son was born:

1. Robert Eugene Culver, born October 7, 1933.

Fourth Generation

Melvin Frederick Culp was married December 14, 1898 to Anna Maria Yensel, daughter of William Dubbs and Sarah Ann (Kauffman) Yensel.

Business man and drug clerk. Constantine, Michigan.

One daughter was born:

1. Lois Melva Culp, born October 11, 1899.

Fifth Generation

Lois Melva Culp was married December 22, 1926 to Ned Hale Smith, son of Hale H. and Mary Ellen (Kline) Smith. Ned Hale Smith, in spite of the handicap of total blindness, was graduated from the Law Department of the University of Michigan, served as an assistant prosecuting attorney of Wayne County, Michigan for eight years and was elected Judge of the Common Pleas Court of the city

of Detroit on April 1, 1935 by the largest majority ever received by an elected official in that city.

They have one daughter:

1. Barbara Ann Smith, born March 23, 1929.

Fourth Generation

Edith Elma Culp was a teacher in the public schools of St. Joseph County, Michigan, and taught eleven years in Constantine, Michigan.

Fourth Generation

Arthur Napoleon Culp is an attorney-at-law, and lives in Constantine, Michigan.

Fourth Generation

Orley Manford Culp was married August 12, 1903 to Estelle B. Bowen. She was a public school teacher. He was a ranchman at Philip, South Dakota, and a member of the Presbyterian Church.

Fourth Generation

Gertrude Ethel Culp spent most of her life in the teaching profession and taught many years in Chicago, Illinois.

Third Generation

Joseph H. Landis was married November 5, 1868 to Mary Ellen Heatwole, born March 31, 1851 in the Shenandoah Valley, Rockingham County, Virginia, daughter of David and Eliza (Garrison) Heatwole. She died July 27, 1923. In youth Joseph H. Landis taught school in Elkhart County, Indiana, and in 1876 attended the Northern Indiana Normal School, taking a commercial course, at which he secured a position with the Platter Pump Co Goshen, Indiana. Later he studied medicine at I Medical College, and in 1884 was able to assume medical practice at Adamsville, Michigan, from which his brother Amos was retiring. In 1888, having a large family ready for higher education, the family moved to Valparaiso, Indiana, for the purpose of educating the children in what was then the largest teachers' normal school in the United States, now known as Valparaiso University. Some members of the family later received higher degrees, but all were educated principally at Valparaiso University, and four of them married men educated at that institution. Half of the family became outstanding teachers in various parts of the United States and others followed commercial

lines. For thirty years or until called by death Joseph H. and Mary Ellen (Heatwole) Landis lived in their home at 651 Greenwich St., one block from the college auditorium.

The first Christmas he and his wife spent alone was in 1912. "Mary", he said as he turned to his wife, "you've planned for the children all your life, and tomorrow will be the first Christmas day in forty-two years with the children away. Some thought it was hard eight children to rear, but for those who have none old age must be drear. They've had riches and ease and their fingers they've twirled, but a million won't buy what we gave to the world."

Children of Joseph H. and Mary Ellen (Heatwole) Landis:

1. Manford Clarence Landis, born July 9, 1870; died October 21, 1930.
2. Myrtie May Landis, born February 20, 1872.
3. Edna Irma Landis, born February 7, 1874.
4. Letta Florence Landis, born April 18, 1875.
5. Grace Adele Landis, born September 15, 1877; died April 11, 1912.
6. Arthur Heatwole Landis, born January 20, 1882.
7. Alma Catherine Landis, born May 24, 1885.
8. Zella Mary Landis, born September 12, 1890.

Fourth Generation

Manford Clarence Landis was married December 25, 1894 to Mabel Gallaner. He held the B. S. and A. B. degrees from Valparaiso University, and taught school in Michigan and Iowa. He held editorial positions on several newspapers, including the Goshen News Times, of which he was associate editor, and the Nappanee Advance. Later he sold investment securities and became a professional organizer of sales forces for the following investment security companies: Tippecanoe Securities Co. of Scranton, Pa., The Louisiana Co. of New Orleans, La., Prudential Insurance Co. of Newark, N. J., and The Smoot Corporation of Buffalo, N. Y. and Miami, Florida. At the time of his death he was living in Miami, Florida.

Children:

1. Ward Kenneth Landis, born January, 1897; died early.
2. VeNona Landis, born January 30, 1898.
3. Theldon Devon Landis, born August 11, 1903.

Manford C. Landis was married June 29, 1928 to Hazell Rodibaugh of Miami, Florida.

Fifth Generation

VeNona Landis was married July 17, 1917 to John W. Maxwell.

Children:

1. John W. Maxwell, Jr., born December 11, 1918.
2. Dan Manford Maxwell, born September 17, 1920; died November 16, 1920.
3. Vera Maxwell, born November 25, 1924.

Fifth Generation

Theldon Devon Landis was married July 23, 1924 to Margaret Wiley.

Fourth Generation

Myrtie May Landis was married July 26, 1893 to John H. Mosier, born December 31, 1866, son of William and Louisa (Thornburg) Mosier who were pioneer farmers in Iowa. He worked his way through college and law school, graduating from Valparaiso Law School in 1890. He practiced law in Nebraska, Iowa, and Norman, Oklahoma, and between the years 1908 and 1915 built up at Muskogee, Oklahoma the largest collection agency in Oklahoma. His attention was then turned to the petroleum industry, in which he was an active producer of oil and gas, and an attorney for petroleum corporations. His law practice took him into almost every state in the union, his wife accompanying him to southern Mexico, Alaska, and important centers in Canada. He died November 30, 1928 at Muskogee, Oklahoma, where he had lived for twenty years.

Besides "seeing America first" with her husband, Myrtie Landis Mosier always found time for cultural clubs and philanthropic enterprises, as well as occupying responsible positions in the Methodist Episcopal Church and later in the Presbyterian Church. She received her B. S. degree at the Valparaiso Normal, taught school at the age of fifteen in Cass County, Michigan, and later in Porter County, Indiana. She writes poems, and words and music for sacred songs and ballads.

Children:

1. Ralph Landis Mosier, born June 24, 1894.
2. De Thurston Mosier, born August 29, 1895; died October 2, 1932.
3. John Leland (Jack) Mosier, born January 15, 1899.

Fifth Generation

Ralph Landis Mosier was married October 9, 1916 to Elsie Burgess. She attended Iowa State Teachers' College at Cedar Falls, Iowa, and taught kindergarten and in city schools of Dallas County, Iowa. Ralph attended the Kansas A. and M. College at Manhattan, Kansas. They live at Muskogee, Oklahoma, where he is manager of the Boynton Gas and Electric Co., and other family properties. He is also a breeder of registered Hereford cattle, and Percheron and Morgan horses. They are members of the Christian Church.

Children:

1. Ralph Landis Mosier, Jr., born August 16, 1917.
2. Loren Campbell Mosier, born May 3, 1920.
3. Edward Francis Mosier, born June 10, 1922.
4. Eldred Louise Mosier, born June 20, 1925.

Fifth Generation

De Thurston Mosier was married April 28, 1922 to Evelyn Brecheisen. They were members of the Presbyterian Church, and lived in Muskogee, Oklahoma. Evelyn (Brecheisen) Mosier attended Oklahoma University and the Scudder School in New York City, taking voice lessons of various teachers in that city. She is a coloratura soprano of rare ability.

De Thurston Mosier received his A. B. and L. L. B. degrees at the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor, and after returning from overseas where he served five months as 2nd Lieutenant in 260th Aero Squadron, began the practice of law at Muskogee with his father, taking over the entire practice at his father's death in 1928, and closing the estate before his own death on October 2, 1932. He was president of the Central Producing Co., and secretary and treasurer of the Boynton Gas and Electric Co.

Children:

1. Madelon Irene Mosier, born February 17, 1923.
2. Barbara Ellen Mosier, born July 15, 1928.

Fifth Generation

John Leland (Jack) Mosier was married December 15, 1927 to Molly Irwin, who was born and reared in Louisiana. They are members of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South. Molly (Irwin) Mosier was a student at the Louisiana State Normal and at the Texas Woman's College at

Fort Worth, Texas, and was a teacher in the city schools of Duncan, Oklahoma.

Jack was a student of mechanical engineering at Oklahoma University, and at the University of Michigan. They lived for eleven years in Duncan, Oklahoma, where he was president and field superintendent of the Central Producing Co. He is now president and field superintendent of the Moday Drilling Co., and they live at Ada, Oklahoma.

Children:

1. Patricia Ann Mosier, born November 28, 1928.
2. John De Irwin Mosier, born May 28, 1933.

Fourth Generation

Edna Irma Landis was married June 7, 1894 to James Madison Stephens, born April 7, 1870, son of Joseph and Annie (Aukerman) Stephens. He received the B. S., A. B., and Ph. D. degrees from Valparaiso University. After finishing his university work he was for four years President of a small Normal School in southern Indiana, and later filled positions of superintendent of city schools of southern and central Illinois. About 1915 he entered commercial fields, specializing in photographic lines which resulted in his acquiring and operating his own Photographic Studio in California.

Edna Irma Landis received her B. S. degree at Northern Indiana Normal School, Valparaiso, Indiana, at the age of seventeen years. She taught in public schools in northern Indiana and near Duluth, Minnesota, and in normal schools in southern Indiana and Illinois. In 1907 she began a business career and for thirty years has been very successful in various lines of commercial activities. She married T. J. Conway on September 13, 1924. His death occurred on September 23, 1927. She married Wilson A. Lannom on January 2, 1932. Her present line of activity is centered in Spiritual Development Organization Work that is to cover a universal field of endeavor. Her instructions are given through inspired writings that will prove a benefit to all mankind. The first volume of a Spiritual Science Series is ready for publication, and the second volume is in preparation.

One child was born to James Madison and Edna Irma (Landis) Stephens:

1. Everett R. Stephens, born February 29, 1896.

Fifth Generation

Everett R. Stephens was married February 14, 1926 to Myra Ethelyn Talbot, born February 23, 1896, daughter of James Hamlin and Mary Ellen (Sampson) Talbot. He served overseas in the World War as Sergeant in the accounting department distributing supplies to the foremost ranks in the battle fronts of France. He has specialized in Public Accounting, and as a Certified Accountant has held responsible major positions with corporations of national standing. In recent years he passed the civil service examinations and was assigned to Government service at Yuma, Arizona. He was transferred in January, 1937 to Boise, Idaho into the Government accounting offices (Bureau of Reclamation).

One child was born:

1. Marjorie Mae Stephens, born May 10, 1931; died May 10, 1931.

Fourth Generation

Letta Florence Landis was married June 28, 1909 to Dr. Charles Edwin Weaver, born May 1, 1880 in Utica, New York. He received from the University of California the B. S. degree in 1904 and the Ph. D. degree in 1907. He was an instructor, assistant professor, and associate professor of geology from 1907 to 1921 in the University of Washington at Seattle, and professor of paleontology there since 1921. During the summer of 1906 he was an assistant in the U. S. Geological Survey in Alaska, was later geologist for the Washington Geological Survey and has spent two years in a geological survey in the vicinity of Guayaquil, Equador, and Buenos Aires, Argentina. He is a member of a number of scientific organizations in the fields of geology and paleontology.

Letta Florence (Landis) Weaver is a graduate of the University of Washington, Seattle, and before marriage was a teacher in the public schools of Valparaiso, Indiana, Mullen, Idaho, and Tacoma, Washington. While in South America with her husband, she spent six months in the home of the American Consul, who was on a leave of absence, and had contact with many officials.

Children:

1. Daughter (unnamed), born July 21, 1910; died July 21, 1910.

2. Robert Landis Weaver, born March 13, 1914; died May 21, 1914.

Fourth Generation

Grace Adele Landis was married April 23, 1900 to Walter Scott Mills. He studied law at the Valparaiso Law School, and has practiced at Arapaho, and Clinton, Oklahoma since 1901. He is a rare impersonator, and in his public speaking career has impersonated characters in literature, as, for instance, those in Victor Hugo's *Les Misérables*, to which an entire evening is devoted. He is also a poet and columnist. Grace Adele (Landis) Mills was educated at Valparaiso University, and later studied expression under Edith Hogan. She was a teacher of public speaking and a professional entertainer of unusual ability both before and after her marriage, and her early death ended a very promising career. They were members of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

Children, born at Arapaho, Oklahoma:

1. Joseph Landis Mills, born August 16, 1902; died August 19, 1902.
2. Marjorie M'Liss Mills, born October 15, 1904.
3. Mary Virginia Mills, born February 15, 1907.

Fifth Generation

Marjorie M'Liss Mills was married September 21, 1928 to Walter Thomas Lacy. He attended business college in Oklahoma City and is a salesman of ability. She attended Phillips University at Enid, Oklahoma, and the Oklahoma A. and M. College, and was a teacher in the city schools at Muskogee, Oklahoma. She is a member of the Presbyterian Church. They now live in Thomas, Oklahoma where he is employed as specialty salesman of electrical appliances for a hardware company.

Children, born at Thomas, Oklahoma:

1. Doris Eleanor Lacy, born October 19, 1931.
2. Mary Annette Lacy, born October 13, 1936.

Fifth Generation

Mary Virginia Mills was married in July, 1928 to Leo P. Cloud, Jr., born in Oklahoma. He studied civil engineering at Oklahoma University, but before graduating secured work in his line with a Texas bridge building company, and has been with them since 1929. She attended Phillips University at Enid, Oklahoma, and Oklahoma University, and

had been a teacher in city schools of Oklahoma. She is a writer of verse, and wrote with perfect rhythm at the age of nine. She is a member of the Presbyterian Church. Their home address varies according to the location of the engineering work in progress.

Children, born in Texas.

1. Jerry Dan Cloud, born October 9, 1930.
2. Carolyn Virginia Cloud, born September 17, 1933.

Fourth Generation

Arthur Heatwole Landis was married April 16, 1912 in Peshtigo, Wisconsin to Jessie MacRae, born March 19, 1888 in Peshtigo, Wisconsin. After completing a business course at Valparaiso University she was until marriage cashier of Lauerman Bros. Dept. Store in Marinette, Wisconsin. Arthur Heatwole Landis attended Valparaiso University, then was employed by the International Harvester Co., 1902-1904; was stenographer for the Gen'l Supt. of the Escanaba & Lake Superior R. R. Co. in 1905, and was later transferred to the Accounting Department where he remained until 1911 and was located at Wells, Michigan; was secretary of the Escanaba Produce Co. at Escanaba, Michigan, 1911-1913; in 1913 he entered the employ of the Yakima County Horticultural Union of Yakima, Washington, and served as Traffic Manager until 1917, when he was advanced to Assistant Manager, which position he at present holds. This is the oldest Cooperative Fruit Growers organization in the state of Washington. He is sent by the company to Europe where he sells car loads of fruit. He is a 32nd degree Mason, and they are affiliated with the Presbyterian Church.

They have one son (adopted) :

1. Arthur John Landis, born September 4, 1927 in Seattle, Washington.

Fourth Generation

Alma Catherine Landis was married November 25, 1909 to Francis Loren Tyner, born July 23, 1886 in Lincoln, Nebraska. He attended Business College in Kansas City, after which he was for seven years secretary to J. D. Tenant, Vice President of The Long-Bell Lumber Co. During the World War he was sent by the Government to Columbia University, where he studied photographic work, and after his discharge went into business for himself, first at

Rockford, Illinois and since 1922 in Kansas City, Missouri, in the firm of Tyner & Murphy. Alma Catherine (Landis) Tyner secured the B. S. degree in 1904 in Valparaiso University, and immediately entered the business world as stenographer, which she followed almost continually since. When Mr. Tyner entered the war she took his place as secretary to J. D. Tennant, and continued eleven years. She is now in business with the firm of Tyner & Murphy, Commercial Photographers. They cover a very wide field of photography: general commercial, architectural, illustrative and advertising, aerial, enlargements, banquets, groups, and almost every other line. They live in Kansas City, Missouri, and are members of the Methodist Church. The business address of Tyner & Murphy is 928 Main St.

Fourth Generation

Zella Mary Landis was married August 17, 1912 to Harry V. Johnsen, born April 1, 1887 at Davenport, Iowa, son of Hans and Kirstine (Christensen) Johnsen. They both graduated from Valparaiso University in 1912 with the B. S. degree. Harry V. Johnsen taught in high schools in Morris, Minnesota; Waterloo, Iowa; and since 1916 in Minneapolis, Minnesota. At present he is instructor in charge of the print shop at the Miller Vocational High School of Minneapolis. Zella Mary (Landis) Johnsen has been active in various lines of church work.

Children:

1. Helen L. Johnsen, born May 23, 1913; died December 22, 1929.
2. Robert L. Johnsen, born March 10, 1915.
3. Lillian C. Johnsen, born March 21, 1917.
4. Harry V. Johnsen, Jr., born October 23, 1925.

Third Generation

Barbara Landis was married March 21, 1875 to Hiram Kinnison, born December 6, 1820 in Pocahontas County, West Virginia, son of Mark and Nancy (Davis) Kinnison. He died December 19, 1906 at their farm home near Ligonier, Indiana. She had been a teacher in the common schools of Elkhart County, Indiana for twenty-two terms. During her latter years she lived in the home of her daughter. She left on record reminiscences of the pioneer days which have proved useful. Her death occurred on the day preceding her ninetieth birthday.

Hiram and Barbara (Landis) Kinnison lived their entire married life on their farm in Elkhart County, Indiana three and one-half miles west of Ligonier. This was the farm that his father bought from the government in 1833, and it has the unique history of never going out of the possession of the family. It is now owned by Catharine Kinnison Croxall. Hiram and Barbara (Landis) Kinnison were members of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

One daughter was born:

1. Catharine Kinnison, born June 24, 1876.

Fourth Generation

Catharine Kinnison was married June 27, 1908 to Rev. Charles Bishop Croxall, D. D., born December 7, 1878 at Titusville, Pennsylvania, son of Edward and Mary (Wass) Croxall. He is a graduate of Allegheny College, and of the Boston Theological Seminary, and has been a Methodist Episcopal minister in the Western Wisconsin and Northern Indiana Conferences. He began serving as a minister in Wisconsin, and held charges at Mazomanie and at Lodi. In 1911 he transferred to the Northern Indiana Conference, and has served as pastor in the churches of the following cities: Bristol, Redkey, Elkhart, Warsaw, Fort Wayne, and Richmond. He held the position of Superintendent of the Warsaw District for six years.

Catharine Kinnison Croxall finished the Scientific Course at the Old Valparaiso Normal, and received the degree of Ph. B. at Northwestern University in 1901. She entered a teaching career, and taught two years in the rural schools of Elkhart County, Indiana, three years in the high school at Odell, Illinois, was one year principal of the high school at Oregon, Illinois, and served three years as special teacher of Latin and mathematics in the high school at LaCrosse, Wisconsin. After marriage she served the church under the Woman's Home Missionary Society as Bureau Secretary for the Mountaineer Work in North Carolina, Tennessee, and Kentucky, which meant the supervision of the schools and dormitories at Misenheimer, North Carolina; Athens, Tennessee; and at Olive Hill, Kentucky. Rev. Charles B. and Catherine Kinnison Croxall at present live in Richmond, Indiana, where he is pastor of the Central Methodist Episcopal Church.

Children:

1. Katherine Lenore Croxall, born June 10, 1909.
2. Grace Elizabeth Croxall, born November 11, 1910.
3. Helen Josephine Croxall, born October 30, 1915.

Katherine Lenore Croxall is a graduate of Northwestern University, and is children's librarian in the Morrison Reeves Library, Richmond, Indiana.

Helen Josephine Croxall graduated in 1937 from Northwestern University, and during her senior year was part time director of speech correction in the National College of Education, Evanston, Illinois.

Fifth Generation

Grace Elizabeth Croxall was married June 27, 1936 to LaVerne William Mamer, born December 14, 1907 at Campus, Illinois, son of John and Ruby (Roberts) Mamer. They are graduates of Northwestern University, and live in Gary, Indiana. He graduated from the School of Commerce, and is an accountant.

Third Generation

David Landis was married January 16, 1872 to Marjory Ann Woodin, born September 7, 1848, at Columbus, Ohio, daughter of Benjamin and Rebecca (Wheeler) Woodin. She died August 5, 1920, aged 71 years, 11 months, 13 days. He had been a teacher at least four years in the public schools of Elkhart County, Indiana, and was later a farmer. In February, 1884, he moved to Kansas, where he purchased an eighty acre farm in Anderson County. They were members of the Methodist Church.

Children:

1. Benjamin Frederick Landis, born September 7, 1874.
2. Henry Wheeler Landis, born July 23, 1876.
3. Ira Oliver Landis, born January 29, 1878.
4. Dora Elizabeth Landis, born August 20, 1879; died May 22, 1935.
5. David Delta Landis, born June 21, 1886.
6. Irene Belle Landis, born October 5, 1889.

Fourth Generation

Benjamin Frederick Landis was married to Pinnie May Thrall, daughter of John and Ellen Thrall. Their address is Lebanon, Kansas.

Children:

1. Virgil Hilmer Landis, born December 21, 1899.
2. Zelda Landis, born August 26, 1901.

3. Merle Kieth Landis, born July 14, 190—.
4. Elma Landis, born April 23, 1909.

Fourth Generation

Henry Wheeler Landis was married May 14, 1920 to Bertie Belle Rakestraw, born April 12, 1888 at Floral, Kansas, daughter of Samuel and Elizabeth (Bailey) Rakestraw. They live on a farm near Douglas, Kansas, and are members of the Baptist Church.

Children, born at Wichita, Kansas:

1. Helen Lucile Landis, born September 11, 1921.
2. Virginia Mae Landis, born March 29, 1923.
3. Samuel David Landis, born July 1, 1924.
4. Laura Belle Landis, born May 26, 1926.

Fourth Generation

Ira Oliver Landis was married March 5, 1902 to Iva Nora Clark, born January 26, 1882, daughter of James R. and Amanda (Chamblin) Clark.

Farmer. Iola, Kansas. Methodist.

Children:

1. Gladys Viola Landis, born January 25, 1903.
2. Austin Keer Landis, born August 4, 1904.
3. Louise Ruth Landis, born January 27, 1907; died July 16, 1915.

Fifth Generation

Gladys Viola Landis was married August 15, 1931 to Russell L. Weyher, born April 23, 1900 at Whitewater, Kansas, son of Edward Theodore and Lillian (Rowe) Weyher.

Newspaper business, Hutchinson, Kansas. Methodist.

Fifth Generation

Austin Keer Landis was married December 24, 1927 to Opal Emler, born October 9, 1907 in Kansas City, Kansas, daughter of Wilda Earl and Minnie Ethel (Burch) Emler. They live in Kansas City, Missouri, and are members of the Methodist Church.

One son:

1. Donald Eugene Landis, born December 30, 1935.

Fourth Generation

Dora E. Landis was married September 5, 1899 to Samuel Jackson Briles, born January 5, 1881 at Douglas, Kansas, son of Andrew Jackson and Rebecca Jane (James) Briles. He was a farmer and mechanic, and they lived

near Douglas, Kansas. Dora E. (Landis) Briles was a member of the Methodist Church.

Children:

1. Anna Jane Briles, born February 11, 1902.
2. David Andrew Briles, born September 15, 1903.
3. Samuel Cloyd Briles, born May 6, 1905.
4. Ida May Briles, born August 15, 1906.
5. Howard Delta Briles, born March 10, 1909.
6. Marguerite Briles, born January 12, 1911.

Fifth Generation

Anna Jane Landis was married May 4, 1920 to Taylor Otis DeWeese, born September 5, 1899 at Burns, Kansas, son of Cyrus Holman and Clarissa Myrtle (Ferguson) DeWeese. They live on a farm near Rock, Kansas.

Children.

1. Otis Briles DeWeese, born April 10, 1921; died April 10, 1921.
2. Myrtle Emma DeWeese, born April 16, 1922.
3. Rogene Mae DeWeese, born June 16, 1924.
4. Homer Floyd DeWeese, born February 14, 1926.

Fifth Generation

David Andrew Briles was married June 21, 1932 to Minnie Snethen, born August 19, 1912 at Baldwin, Kansas, daughter of John William and Minnie Ann (Mulrany) Snethen. They live in Ottawa, Kansas, and are members of the Baptist Church.

Children, born at Ottawa, Kansas:

1. Darlene Ruth Briles, born February 5, 1935.
2. Richard Eugene Briles, born December 26, 1936.

Fifth Generation

Samuel Cloyd Briles was married June 7, 1928 to Henrietta Mildred Beye, born July 20, 1910 at Wichita, Kansas, son of Andrew Franklin and Kelly Amanda (Holt) Beye. They live in Rock, Kansas.

Children:

1. Claudine Mae Briles, born December 30, 1930.
2. Mildred Joan Briles, born February 24, 1935.

Fifth Generation

Ida May Briles was married April 8, 1925 to Leo John Beye, born February 18, 1906 at Wichita, Kansas, son of Andrew Franklin and Kelly Amanda (Holt) Beye.

Oil Field Worker. Augusta, Kansas.

Children:

1. William John Beye, born May 15, 1926.
2. Donald Eugene Beye, born April 9, 1928.
3. Valetia June Beye, born February, 1937.

Fifth Generation

Marguerite Briles was married November 6, 1933 to Raymond James Kuntz, born April 9, 1906 near Udall, Kansas, son of Edward Joseph and Celia (Sapp) Kuntz.

Farmer. Udall, Kansas. Catholic.

Children:

1. Flossie Rae Kuntz, born April 9, 1934 near Rock, Kansas.
2. Edward James Kuntz, born January 11, 1936, near Udall, Kansas.

Fourth Generation

David Delta Landis was married January 16, 1913 to Alta Mary Gagan, born August 28, 1891 at Douglas, Kansas, daughter of William and Hannah (Long) Gagan.

Oil field worker. Douglas, Kansas.

Children:

1. Waldo Curtis Landis, born November 25, 1913 at Rock, Kansas.
2. Delbert Eugene Landis, born March 16, 1916 at Rose Hill, Kansas.
3. Francis Vernon Landis, born September 8, 1918 at Rose Hill, Kansas.
4. Ardine Edwin Landis, born September 14, 1920 at Rose Hill, Kansas.
5. Calma Ula Landis, born April 7, 1922 at Leon, Kansas.
6. Russell Wayne Landis, born August 8, 1925 at Russell, Kansas.

Fourth Generation

Irene Belle Landis was married December 4, 1906 to William Carter.

One son was born:

1. William Parkhurst Carter, born October 24, 1907.

Irene Belle Landis was married October 6, 1917 to Robert Alvie Doster, born April 30, 1894, son of Robert Edward and Eugenia Elizabeth (Rainwater) Doster. They live in Inglewood, California, are Baptists, and members of the Hawthorne Community Church where Robert is a

deacon, and Irene a deaconess. The name of William Parkhurst Carter was changed to William Parkhurst Doster.

Third Generation

Amos Judson Landis was married May 5, 1873 in Missouri to Sarah Tinkham, born in 1850, in Unionville, Ohio. She died November 10, 1891, in Chico, California.

Amos Judson was a teacher in the public schools of Elkhart County, Indiana, and later attended the Fort Wayne Medical College, and the Medical College of Indiana, a department of Butler University. He graduated in 1880 and practiced medicine in Adamsville, Michigan until 1885, when he moved to Gettysburg, South Dakota, and practiced there three years. In 1888 he removed to Chico, California and continued as a physician and surgeon there. At Chico he set out an almond orchard consisting of twenty-six acres, which he owned twenty-one years. He also owned a 435 acre stock ranch near Chico.

Amos Judson Landis was married December 8, 1892 to Mattie J. Pratt, born in Butte County, California. She died April 7, 1926.

Children of Amos Judson and Mattie J. (Pratt) Landis:

1. Allison J. Landis, born August, 1893; died May, 1901.
2. Frederick Howard Landis, born May 29, 1897.

Fourth Generation

Frederick Howard Landis was married December 19, 1925 to Julia Rose LaShelle. Their address is Paradise, California.

Third Generation

Christiana Landis was married December 25, 1873 to Franklin Stealy, born November 13, 1846, son of Daniel and Nancy (Guipe) Stealy. They lived in Harrison Township, Elkhart County, Indiana, five and one-half miles west of Goshen, on the old Stealy farm, part of which they later owned. He was for sixteen years assessor of Harrison Township. Christiana (Landis) Stealy had been a teacher in the Elkhart County public schools. They were members of the Evangelical Church.

Children:

1. Amasa Valois Stealy, born October 11, 1874; died December 11, 1932.
2. Lulu Jane Stealy, born March 20, 1877.
3. Oscar Pilcher Landis Stealy, born June 27, 1879.

4. Anna Catherine Stealy, born April 16, 1881.
5. Hattie Stealy, born June 24, 1886.
6. Carolyn Stealy, born August 28, 1888.
7. Frederick Landis Stealy, born December 16, 1890; died June 10, 1934.

Fourth Generation

Amasa Valois Stealy was married November 21, 1895 to Minnie Willie, born April 12, 1875, daughter of Harry and Ida (Nicholson) Willie.

N. Y. C. engineer. 937 So. Third St., Elkhart, Indiana. Evangelical.

Children:

1. Guy R. Stealy, born September 28, 1896.
2. Franklin Raymond Stealy, born May 1, 1899.

Fifth Generation

Guy R. Stealy was married May 22, 1920 to Ruth Peterson, born April 6, 1899.

N. Y. C. R. R. engineer. Elkhart, Indiana.

One daughter:

1. Roetta Deneice Stealy, born June 5, 1921.

Fifth Generation

Franklin Raymond Stealy was married July 31, 1920 to Beulah Baron, daughter of Roger and Ethel (Wiley) Baron. She died September 14, 1921.

Franklin Raymond Stealy was married March 31, 1923 to Elsie Hartman, daughter of Charles Wesley and Meda (Wise) Hartman.

Franklin Raymond Stealy was married June 25, 1936 to Sallie (Sarah) Blough, born March 5, 1905. She had been for ten years employed by the Goshen News Times, Goshen, Indiana. He is a N. Y. C. engineer and lives in Elkhart, Indiana.

Fourth Generation

Lulu Jane Stealy was married June 1, 1895 to Daniel F. Martin, born October 9, 1874, son of Moses and Deliah (Miller) Martin.

Farmer and carpenter. Elkhart, Indiana. Church of the Brethren.

Children:

1. Waldo LaMar Martin, born September 24, 1895.
2. Albert Warren Martin, born January 9, 1897.
3. Fern Martin, born September 14, 1898.

4. Floyd Stealy Martin, born March 7, 1901.
5. Edna Martin, born September 14, 1903; died January 11, 1919. Aged 15 years, 3 months, 28 days.
6. Harold Theodore Martin, born June 21, 1906.
7. Hazel Martin, born December 24, 1908.
8. Ethel Martin, born August 14, 1910; died August 28, 1910. Aged 14 days.
9. Christine Martin, born September 25, 1911.
10. DeVon Clair Martin, born January 8, 1913.
11. Kenneth Lowell Martin, born May 30, 1919.

Fifth Generation

Waldo LaMar Martin was married February 22, 1919 to Mary Culp, daughter of Melvin and Lydia (Frame) Culp. Farmer. Goshen, Indiana. Church of the Brethren. Children:

1. Paul LaMar Martin, born September 5, 1919.
2. Junelle Vivian Martin, born July 11, 1924.

Fifth Generation

Albert Warren Martin was married March 6, 1918 to Mable Lois Smith, daughter of Phillip Hubert and Mary Christine (Heller) Smith.

Farmer. Goshen, Indiana. Church of the Brethren. Children:

1. Dale Ernest Martin, born August 23, 1919.
2. Wayne Everett Martin, born December 24, 1920.
3. Phyllis Jean Martin, born May 19, 1925.
4. Mary Jane Martin, born October 21, 1927.
5. Donna June Martin, born June 17, 1930.
6. Doris Joan Martin, born May 29, 1933.

Fifth Generation

Fern Martin is employed at the Miles Laboratories, Elkhart, Indiana, and is a member of the Evangelical Church. One son:

1. LeRoy Dean Martin, born September 16, 1919.

Fifth Generation

Floyd Stealy Martin was married December 16, 1922 to Velma Maria Secor, daughter of Emmett James and Mary Minerva (Moyer) Secor.

Factory worker and carpenter. Elkhart, Indiana. Menonite Brethren in Christ.

Children:

1. Bemis Jay Martin, born April 19, 1926.

2. Eilene Fay Martin, born October 26, 1929.
3. Dallis Ray Martin, born September 13, 1932.

Fifth Generation

Harold Theodore Martin was married December 16, 1926 to Lois Nine, daughter of John and Cora (Poeling) Nine.

Foreman in Minneapolis Thermostat Factory, Minneapolis, Minnesota.

One son:

1. Richard Martin, stillborn March 6, 1932.

Fifth Generation

Hazel Martin was married May 19, 1928 to Norris Glenn Secor, son of Emmett James and Mary Minerva (Moyer) Secor.

Farmer and factory worker. Wakarusa, Indiana. Menonite Brethren in Christ.

Children :

1. Doloris Ellen Secor, born October 3, 1928.
2. Royal Edwin Secor, born September 3, 1931.
3. Cloyce Emmett Secor, born January 10, 1933.
4. Marlene Etta Secor, born March 8, 1934.

Fifth Generation

Christine Martin was married November 8, 1930 to Carl William Kreider, son of Rev. Franklin and Goldia (Mishler) Kreider.

Foreman in Minneapolis Thermostat Factory. Minneapolis, Minnesota. Church of the Brethren.

Children:

1. Arden Rodney Kreider, born November 10, 1931.
2. Loren Martin Kreider, born March 29, 1933.
3. Ronald Keith Kreider, born May 9, 1935.

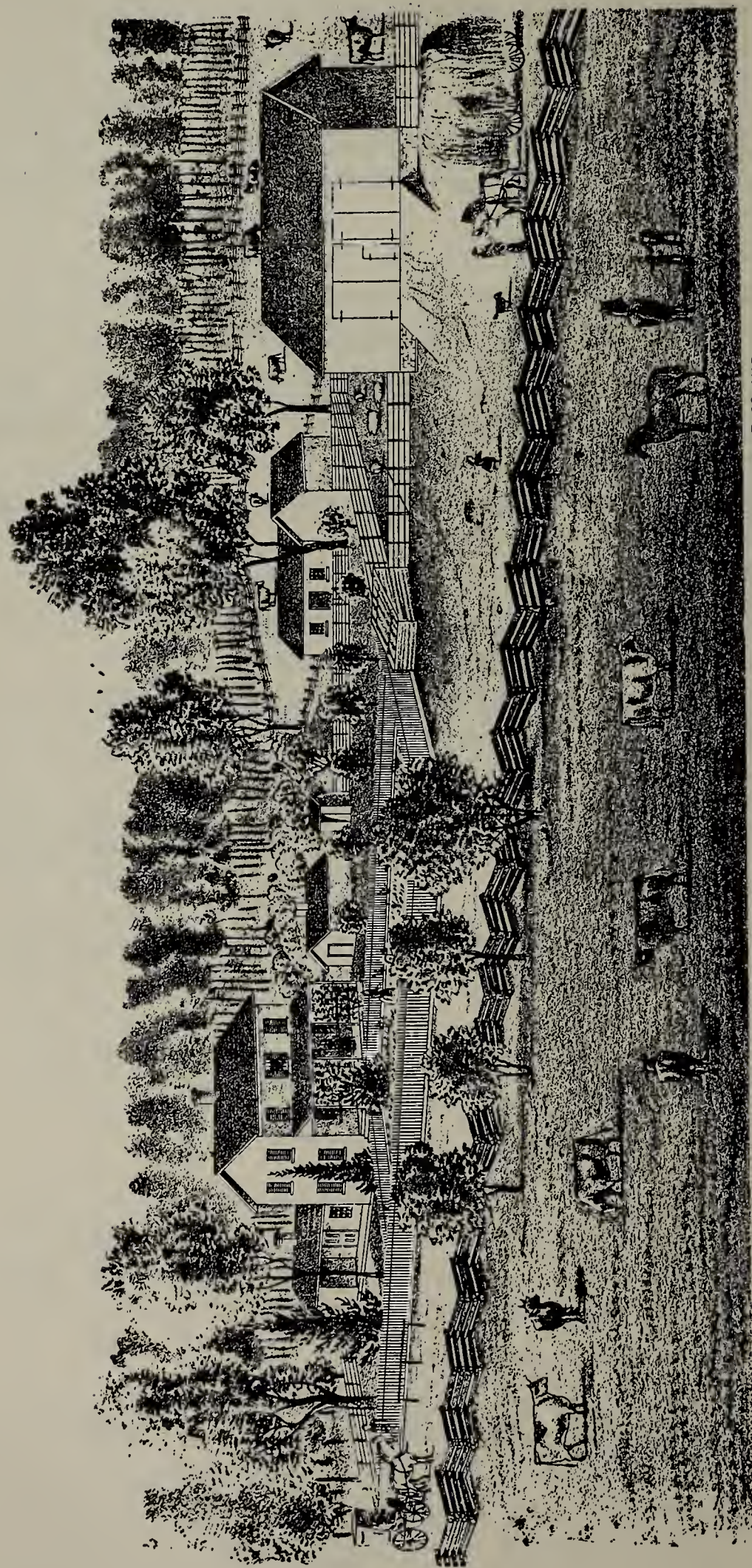
Fourth Generation

Oscar Pilcher Landis Stealy was married August 6, 1899 to Lucretia Pletcher, born November 29, 1881, daughter of John and Sarah (Bauer) Pletcher.

Farmer. Goshen, Indiana.

Children:

1. Blanche Marie Stealy, born February 3, 1900.
2. Mertie May Stealy, born February 10, 1902.
3. Madge Lucile Stealy, born May 19, 1906.
4. John Franklin Stealy, born May 9, 1907.
5. Earl William Stealy, born October 17, 1908.
6. Emma Stealy, born March 28, 1911.



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This drawing was made in 1874

7. Roy Lamar Stealy, born November 6, 1913.
8. Wilma Stealy, born November 1, 1916.
9. Glenn Raymond Stealy, born March 2, 1922.

Fifth Generation

Blanche Marie Stealy was married March 24, 1917 to Charles Sailor, son of John and May (Sala) Sailor.

Factory worker. Elkhart, Indiana.

Children:

1. Elsie Marian Sailor, born October 27, 1917.
2. Clyde S. Sailor, born February 4, 1920.
3. Virgil Sailor, born October 12, 1921.
4. Ernest Dewey Sailor, born February 5, 1923.
5. Richard J. Sailor, born April 11, 1931.
6. Leon Don Sailor, born September 26, 1933.

Fifth Generation

Mertie May Stealy was married August 18, 1923 to Charles Robert Bressler, son of B. Franklin and Emma (Grover) Bressler.

Bookkeeper. Elkhart, Indiana.

Children:

1. Charles Robert Bressler, Jr., born September 15, 1930.
2. Bryce Bernard Bressler, born April 22, 1932.

Fifth Generation

Madge Lucile Stealy was married May 17, 1924 to George Vernon Long, born September 6, 1904, son of Irvin and Priscilla (Holdeman) Long.

Farmer. Elkhart, Indiana.

Children:

1. Kenneth Richard Long, born October 4, 1925.
2. Donald Lavon Long, born March 15, 1929.

Fifth Generation

John Franklin Stealy was married April 16, 1927 to Catharine Rosine Weaver, born November 3, 1904 in Elkhart County, Indiana, daughter of William S. and Anna (Good) Weaver.

Fireman, N. Y. C. Railroad. Elkhart, Indiana.

Children:

1. John William Stealy, born June 27, 1932.
2. Ralph Wayne Stealy, born September 8, 1934.

Fifth Generation

Earl William Stealy was married September 26, 1931

to Mildred Amelia Frick, daughter of William and Daisy (Wilcox) Frick.

Auto mechanic. South Bend, Indiana.

One daughter:

1. Maralyn Joyce Stealy, born May 5, 1936.

Fifth Generation

Emma Stealy was married June 21, 1930 to Seth Rohrer, son of Aaron and Lovina (Anglemyer) Rohrer.

Tool and dye worker. 2206 Prairie St., Elkhart, Indiana. Mennonite Brethren in Christ Church.

Fifth Generation

Wilma Stealy was married June 21, 1936 to Lloyd Harold Hess, son of Wilson F. and Maggie (Culp) Hess. He is a teacher in Elkhart County, Indiana schools, and they live near Goshen, Indiana.

Fourth Generation

Anna Catherine Stealy was married March 29, 1906 to Noah D. Blosser, son of Noah and Sarah (Bechtel) Blosser.

Farmer, Goshen, Indiana. Mennonite Brethren in Christ.

Children:

1. Catherine Blosser, born February 13, 1908; died May 3, 1929.
2. Kenton Stealy Blosser, born July 7, 1912.

Fourth Generation

Hattie Stealy was married March 17, 1910 to Frank M. Weaver, born May 9, 1875, son of Moses B. and Jane (Detwiler) Weaver. She had been a teacher in the public schools of Harrison Township, Elkhart County, Indiana. He is a house painter and interior decorator. 304 Prairie Ave., Goshen, Indiana. Evangelical.

Children:

1. Louise Weaver, born February 26, 1911.
2. Eugene S. Weaver, born June 24, 1919.
3. Harriet Jane Weaver, born February 10, 1927.
4. Frances Marian Weaver, born December 21, 1928.

Fifth Generation

Louise Weaver is a school teacher under the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal

Church. She had been a student at Goshen College, and has taught at Misenheimer, North Carolina, and at Olive Hill, Kentucky in mountain white schools.

Fourth Generation

Carolyn Stealy was married January 9, 1909 to Dr. Walter A. Mayes, son of Adolph and Carolyn (Varner) Mayes. They are both graduates of an osteopathic school in Kirksville, Missouri, and practiced in Magdalena, New Mexico. He died August 17, 1923.

Children:

1. Walter Stealy Mayes, born March 26, 1910.
2. Marjorie Narvilla Mayes, born May 4, 1915.

Marjorie Narvilla Mayes is a nurse and a graduate of the Robert Long Hospital, Indiana University medical center in Indianapolis, Indiana.

Carolyn Stealy was married the second time April 12, 1930 to John A. Wallace, son of Josephus and Elizabeth (Teeter) Wallace. He is a member of the Brethren and she of the Evangelical. He is maintenance man at the Buescher Band Instrument Co., and they live at 2425 So. Main St., Elkhart, Indiana.

Fifth Generation

Walter Stealy Mayes was married to Ann Borden, born in Kentucky. He is a field representative for the Ethyl Gasoline Corporation and traveled over the state of Kentucky and now is engaged in this work in Ohio. Their present address is Cincinnati, Ohio.

Fourth Generation

Frederick Landis Stealy was married March 7, 1914 to Effie Kehr, born October 24, 1895, daughter of Martin and Martha (Eyer) Kehr.

Farmer. Goshen, Indiana. Evangelical Church.

Children:

1. Florence Victoria Stealy, born August 17, 1915.
2. Richard Theodore Stealy, born May 24, 1918.
3. Marjorie Beth Stealy, born September 12, 1922.
4. George Bernard Stealy, born November 15, 1925.

Fifth Generation

Florence Victoria Stealy was married October 3, 1934 to Elbert Deloss Miller, son of J. Wesley and Rosa (Bower) Miller.

Third Generation

Henry Beecher Landis was married May 25, 1881 to Mary Elizabeth Caldwell, born December 19, 1858 near Goshen, Indiana, daughter of Andrew and Eleanor (Burns) Caldwell. He attended the Valparaiso Normal School, now Valparaiso University, and taught his first school in the old home school where he had been a pupil. In August, 1882, he moved to Kansas and settled on a farm near Lone Elm. He continued teaching in Kansas for some years. During the winter term of 1887-1888 he taught at Hickory Grove near Kincaid, and during the term of 1888-1889 at the Belleview School. In 1893 he moved to Battle Creek, Michigan and took the nurses' course at the Battle Creek Sanitarium. From 1897 to 1902 he conducted Treatment Rooms in Birmingham, Alabama, and during the two following years was connected with a Health Food Company in Nashville, Tennessee. After 1904 he lived in Chico, California, where he established Treatment Rooms, and later operated a Sanitarium. He gave hydrotherapy treatments with massage, and helped many to regain their health by the use of natural remedies. He was long an active member of the Seventh Day Adventist Church, and some of his children have served as foreign missionaries. Mary Elizabeth (Caldwell) Landis died October 1, 1936 at Chico, California.

Children:

1. Charles Caldwell Landis, born March 16, 1882 near Goshen, Indiana.
2. Esta Eleanor Landis, born February 24, 1884 near Lone Elm, Kansas.
3. Matie Olive Landis, born January 19, 1886 near Lone Elm, Kansas.
4. Wilma Lane Landis, born August 3, 1888 near Lone Elm, Kansas.
5. Lloyd Burns Landis, born December 16, 1890 near Lone Elm, Kansas.
6. Frederick Amos Landis, born March 19, 1894 in Battle Creek, Michigan.

Fourth Generation

Charles Caldwell Landis was married June 20, 1912 to Edna Charlotte Saxby, born February 26, 1888, daughter of Parmenas Watts and Edna (Snow) Saxby. He grad-

uated from the George Washington University Medical School in 1912, was a missionary to China from 1917 to 1923, and superintendent of the St. Helena Sanitarium during 1925 and 1926. He is a practicing physician and surgeon at Chico, California, where he operates a small hospital. They are members of the Seventh Day Adventist Church.

Children:

1. Ethna Byrdena Landis, born March 27, 1913.
2. Frederick Saxby Landis, born August 31, 1915.
3. Earl Willard Landis, born March 12, 1920.

Fourth Generation

Esta Eleanor Landis was married September 3, 1913 to James Lyons Webster, born May 22, 1885 at Montrose, Scotland, son of John Andrew and Sarah (Brewis) Webster. He is a building contractor. They live at Lodi, California, and are members of the Seventh Day Adventist Church.

Children:

1. Warren Anderson Webster, born January 15, 1915.
2. Wilma Mayte Webster, born March 5, 1918.
3. James Lloyd Webster, born March 18, 1923.

Fourth Generation

Matie Olive Landis was married September 3, 1913 to Alfonso Nils Anderson, born March 4, 1887 at Carthage, South Dakota, son of Lewis and Emma (Nilson) Anderson. He attended the Union Pacific College, 1907-1908, and the Union College, College View, Nebraska, 1908-1913, receiving the A. B. degree in 1913. They served as missionaries in Japan from 1913 to 1936, where they were engaged in evangelistic work. He was editor of "Japanese Signs of the Times", and was Bible teacher in a Japanese School for Boys. On April 17, 1937 they sailed to the Philippine Islands to labor among the Japanese there. Their present address is Manila, Philippine Islands.

Children:

1. Charles Landis Anderson, born October 21, 1914.
2. Virginia Eleanor Anderson, born July 26, 1919.

Fourth Generation

Wilma Lane Landis was married July 23, 1913 to Merritt Connick Warren, born December 28, 1890 in Iowa, son of Marcellus and DeEtte (Barber) Warren. He is a clergyman, and has been superintendent of the West China Union

Mission, S. D. A. from 1916 to 1931, and superintendent of the Central China Union Mission, S. D. A. since 1931.

Children:

1. Helen Virginia Warren, born July 22, 1914.
2. Wilma Eleanor Warren, born March 12, 1916.
3. Dorothy Janet Warren, born April 25, 1919.
4. Merritt Charles Warren, born November 22, 1923.
5. Donald Marcellus Warren, born February 14, 1926.

Fifth Generation

Helen Virginia Warren was married August 4, 1936 to William Milton Lee, born March 4, 1915, son of Frederick and Minnie Lee. He received the A. B. degree at the Pacific Union College, Angwin, California in 1936. Helen Virginia (Warren) Lee graduated from the St. Helena Sanitarium School of Nursing in 1936. They sailed August 21, 1936 as missionaries to China.

Fourth Generation

Lloyd Burns Landis was married April 7, 1915 to Helen Mildred Drake, born August 31, 1891 at Oakland, California, daughter of Emery J. and Jennie (Jackson) Drake. He received the A. B. degree in 1920 at the Pacific Union College, Angwin, California, and was teacher in English at Lodi Academy from 1920 to 1923, and teacher of manual arts from 1924 to 1925 at the Golden Gate Academy in Berkeley, California. Since 1928 he has been instructor of industrial arts in the Chico State Teachers' College where in that year he had received the A. B. in industrial arts. They live in Chico, California, and are members of the Seventh Day Adventist Church.

Children:

1. Jeanette Rosalie Landis, born May 5, 1916.
2. Helen Elizabeth Landis, born February 4, 1921.
3. Esta Mildred Landis, born January 22, 1923.
4. Arthur Charles Landis, born January 14, 1926.

Fifth Generation

Jeanette Rosalie Landis was married March 15, 1935 to Edwin Theodore Vranna, born October 22, 1912, son of Dominic and Emma (Burda) Vranna.

A daughter was born:

1. Donna Jean Vranna, born March 3, 1937.

Fourth Generation

Frederick Amos Landis was married May 16, 1916 to Chloe Belle Buchanan, born April 4, 1895, daughter of Phil-

lip and Electa (Ayers) Buchanan. He received the A. B. degree from the Pacific Union College, Angwin, California in 1923, and taught industrial arts in the Mt. View Academy during the school year 1923-1924. From 1924 to 1931 he was teacher of industrial arts at the China Training Institute, and since 1932 has been business manager of the China Training Institute. They are Seventh Day Adventists, and their present address is Chiatoutseng, Kiangsu Province, China.

One daughter was born:

1. Erma Elaine Landis, born January 9, 1924.

Third Generation

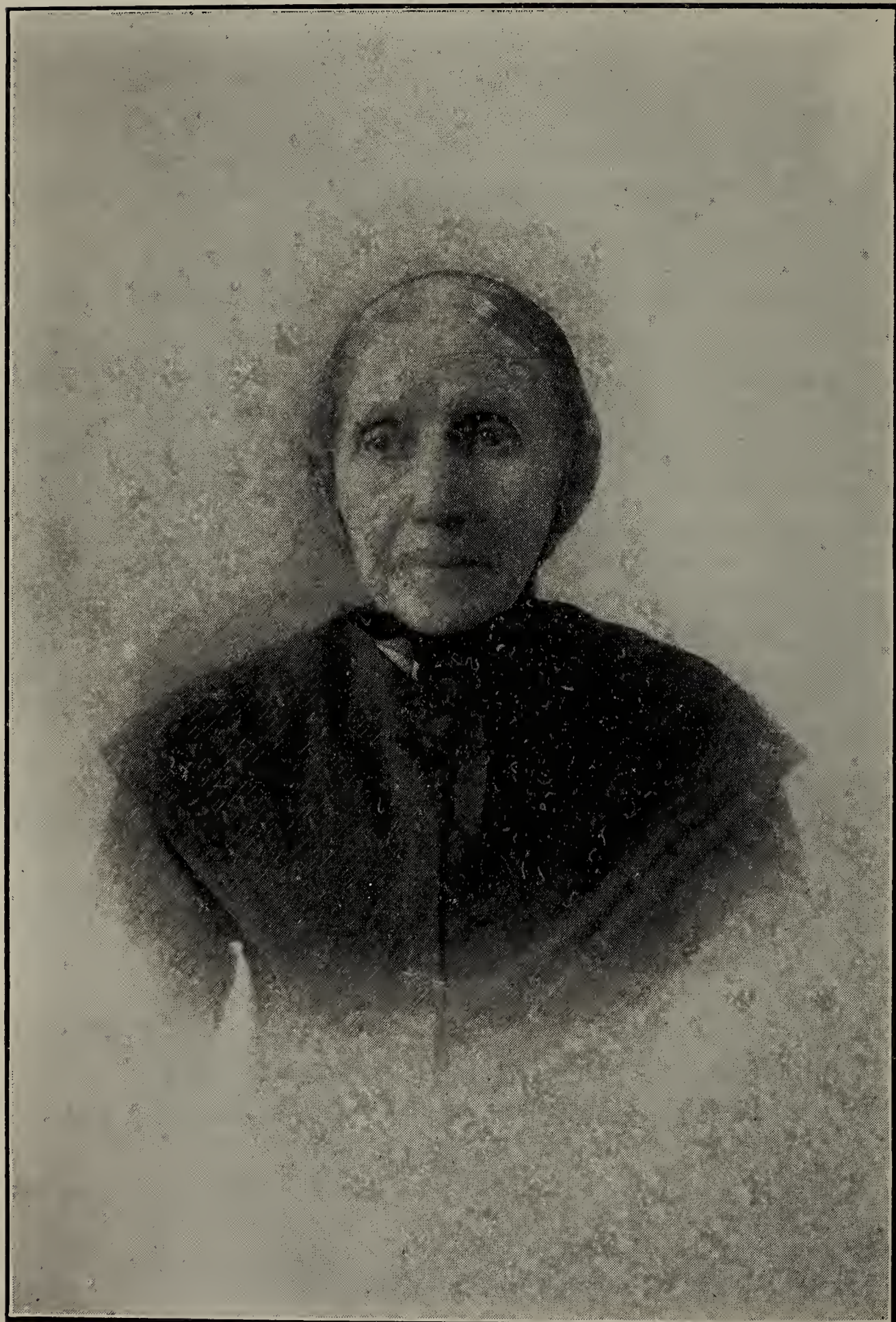
Jennie M. Landis was married May 4, 1884 near Goshen, Indiana to Lewis Crittendon Caldwell, born in 1861 near Goshen, Elkhart County, Indiana, son of Andrew and Eleanor (Burns) Caldwell. He died March 6, 1933. Jennie Landis had been a teacher in the schools of Elkhart County, Indiana from 1873 to 1884. After marriage they moved to Anderson County, Kansas, near Moran, where Lewis Crittendon Caldwell was a farmer and carpenter. In 1925 they removed to Bayard, Kansas. They were members of the Methodist Church.

Children:

1. Nellie Olive Caldwell, born June 24, 1885.
2. Carl Frederick Caldwell, born December 5, 1887; died January 4, 1889. Aged 1 year, 1 month.
3. Emma Pearl Caldwell, born October 4, 1886; died several days later.
4. Lottie Merle Caldwell, born February 3, 1890.
5. Glenn Harrison Caldwell, born April 22, 1892.
6. Bessie Fay Caldwell, born June 2, 1895.
7. Lewis Harold Caldwell, born October 16, 1897.
8. Earl Landis Caldwell, born January 6, 1901.

Fourth Generation

Nellie Olive Caldwell was married September 2, 1913 to Floyd Emmett McCormack, son of Fountain E. and Elizabeth (Perkins) McCormack. He is head of the Bayard Grain Co., Bayard, Kansas. He owns a grain elevator, feed, coal, and oil business, and has been engaged since 1915 in buying and shipping grain. Nellie (Caldwell) McCormack had been a school teacher before marriage. They live in Bayard, Kansas, and are members of the Methodist Church.



Catharine Holdeman Landis

Children:

1. Lois Elizabeth McCormack, born July 27, 1914.
2. Loren Caldwell McCormack, born March 26, 1916.
3. John Locke McCormack, born April 23, 1918.

Lois Elizabeth McCormack was graduated in 1936 from Kansas University where she was elected to Phi Beta Kappa.

Fourth Generation

Lottie Merle Caldwell has a state certificate from Emporia Teachers' College, and since 1922 has taught the first grade in Pratt, Kansas.

Fourth Generation

Glenn Harrison Caldwell was married May 12, 1920 to Valorie Murray. He is employed in the blue print department of the government ship works at Vallejo, California. They live in Oakland, California.

Children:

1. Glenn Crittendon Caldwell, born January 5, 1921.
2. Kenneth Murray Caldwell, born October 19, 1915.

Fourth Generation

Bessie Fay Caldwell was married September 20, 1920 to Nelson M. LeSuer, son of Otho C. and Harriet (McFarland) LeSuer. He is a poultryman. Bessie (Caldwell) LeSuer was before marriage a school teacher. She attended the State Normal School at Emporia, Kansas, two years, and was then a primary teacher at Newton, Kansas, and Lawrence, Kansas. Their address is Muncie, Kansas, and they are members of the Methodist Church.

Children:

1. Harriet Jane LeSuer, born November 22, 1921.
2. Nelson M. LeSuer, Jr., born March 23, 1923.
3. Barbara Bess LeSuer, born September 15, 1925.
4. James Louis LeSuer, born January 20, 1930.
5. Marilyn Merle LeSuer, born November 20, 1934.

Fourth Generation

Lewis Harold Caldwell was married May 5, 1923 to Lucile Howard, daughter of George and Bessie Howard. He is a graduate of the Emporia Teachers' College, and received the degree of Master of Science in Education from Columbia University of New York City. He has been a Principal in the Wichita city schools since 1930. They live in Wichita, Kansas, and are members of the Methodist Church.

Children:

1. George Howard Caldwell, born September 29, 1926.
2. Donald Joe Caldwell, born April 16, 1930.

Fourth Generation

Earl Landis Caldwell was married June 1, 1927 to Genevieve Dale Palmer, daughter of Samuel O. and Dena (Stockton) Palmer. He has been since 1932 tree surgeon for Texas University, and is head of the Austin Landscape and Tree Co. They live in Austin, Texas, and are members of the Methodist Church.

Children:

1. Earl Landis Caldwell, Jr., born March 2, 1929.
2. Roland Palmer Caldwell, born February 11, 1932.
3. Leland Courtney Caldwell, born February 8, 1934.

Third Generation

Emma Josephine Landis was married August 2, 1887 to John L. Belt, born November 29, 1863, son of John W. and Siebrig (Smith) Belt of Holland. He died July 27, 1932, aged 68 years, 7 months, 28 days. Emma Josephine (Landis) Belt had been a teacher in the public schools of Elkhart County, Indiana. After marriage they lived on and owned the Frederick Landis farm. John L. Belt owned this farm until about 1901. In 1922 he moved to Elkhart, Indiana, where he died. Emma Josephine (Landis) Belt was a member of the Mennonite Church.

One son was born:

1. Earl Gordon Belt, born July 30, 1890.

Fourth Generation

Earl Gordon Belt was married August 14, 1915 to Alwilda Stafford, born December 21, 1896, daughter of James N. and Florence (Friece) Stafford. He was a loom mechanic at the Chase Bag Co., Goshen, Indiana. They lived in Goshen and were members of the Church of the Brethren. Alwilda (Stafford) Belt died March 2, 1931.

Children, born in Goshen, Indiana:

1. Bernard Lamar Belt, born June 14, 1916.
2. Earl Junior Belt, born July 7, 1918.
3. Warren Harding Belt, born November 14, 1920.

Earl Gordon Belt was married March 19, 1932 to Sylva Pearl Reeg, daughter of Frank C. and Rozzie (Bentz) Reeg. They at present live on a farm near Howe, Indiana.

SAMUEL HOLDEMAN FAMILY

Second Generation

SAMUEL HOLDEMAN was married in March, 1841, in Wayne County, Ohio to Anna Landis, daughter of Jacob and Barbara (Garber) Landis. She died April 8, 1842, aged 24 years, and is buried in the Eight Square Cemetery. While he was a widower he wove tri-colored coverlids, which were then so common, and are now heirlooms.

Samuel Holdeman was married October 2, 1845 in Wayne County, Ohio to Sarah Boyer, born January 27, 1827 near Harmony, Butler County, Pennsylvania, daughter of George and Sarah (Moyer) Boyer. She died August 29, 1880 in Elkhart County, Indiana, aged 53 years, 7 months, and 2 days. She is buried in the Olive Cemetery north of Wakarusa.

Samuel Holdeman began teaching school in Wayne County, Ohio, and taught in the old log school house, the first known of in School District No. 6, Chester Township. He taught the winter term of 1841 and 1842, and the winter term of 1846 and 1847 at the old Eight Square school house, a brick building erected in 1844 on land provided by his father, Christian Holdeman. On October 13, 1846 the trustees of Chester Township appointed Samuel Holdeman supervisor to take the place of his father, who had been elected to the office previously, but died in September of that year.

On April 1, 1850 Samuel Holdeman and wife, Sarah Holdeman, deeded to the trustees of the regular Mennonite Church, who were at that time Benjamin Gable, George Shaum, and Amos Holdeman, a plot of ground containing one acre more or less for a burying ground and for other church purposes. On this date the old Christian Holdeman farm in Chester Township, Wayne County, Ohio was sold, and this plot of ground was part of the same farm. Samuel Holdeman had been appointed administrator of the estate of his father, Christian Holdeman, deceased. In the year 1850 Samuel Holdeman and family removed from Wayne County, Ohio to Elkhart County, Indiana.

In Elkhart County, Indiana, Samuel Holdeman continued his teaching career. He was a teacher in the vicinity of Wakarusa, and at one time taught in a German settlement in Marshall County, near Bremen, where he taught both English and German. He also carried mail from Goshen to Wakarusa, and once a week to Plymouth. In 1866 he entered the mercantile business in Wakarusa, and was a partner in the Holdeman and Brubaker store. Several years later he entered a partnership with four others in building the old Wakarusa grist mill. Although not a trained lawyer, Samuel Holdeman did the work of an attorney, and handled law cases. He would say to his clients, "If I don't clear you, it won't cost you a cent." It is said



Samuel Holdeman Homestead.

that in his numerous cases he often defeated trained lawyers. He was for many years Justice of the Peace.

Samuel Holdeman had an aptitude for and an interest in business. He was once comparatively wealthy, but lost much of his property. His generosity in going security for everyone that asked, together with his mercantile venture, were factors in blighting his once prosperous career. He was noted for his generosity and for his loud speaking. When carrying mail, at about the time he left Goshen, folks in Wakarusa remarked that they knew he was coming for they heard him talk.

Samuel Holdeman owned considerable land in the vicini-

ty of Wakarusa. On October 4, 1853 he purchased from William H. and Phebe Imlay of Hartford, Connecticut, through their attorney A. H. Redfield of Detroit, Michigan, for \$130 the southeast quarter of the southwest quarter of section twenty-six in township thirty-six (Olive Township). This was forty acres by the United States survey. (County Deed Book, Vol. 20, p. 299.) On May 23, 1861 he purchased for \$400 from Asa and Mary J. Kingsbury the west half of the southwest quarter of section twenty-six, the northeast quarter of the southwest quarter of the same section, and the west half of the southeast quarter of the same section, all in township thirty-six, containing 200 acres, except one acre and sixteen rods heretofore deeded for the Mennonite Church. (County Deed Book, Vol. 24, p. 450.) These two purchases are situated on the first mile west out of Wakarusa on the north side of the road. Samuel and Sarah Holdeman sold on June 21, 1861 for \$800 to John Voglesong of Columbiana County, Ohio, the west half of the southwest quarter of section twenty-six in township thirty-six, except one acre and sixteen rods where the old Mennonite meeting house stood. (County Deed Book, Vol. 24, p. 451.) On May 3, 1864 he bought from Amos and Mary Shaum for \$1,000 the 160 acres comprising the west half of the northeast quarter and the east half of the northwest quarter of section thirty-five in township thirty-six. (County Deed Book, Vol. 28, p. 232.) He sold for \$1,500 on February 11, 1865 to Abraham Eicher the west half of the northeast quarter of the same section. (Ibid, p. 294.) This land is situated on the first mile out of Wakarusa on the south side of the road.

The Samuel Holdeman family during their first years in Elkhart County lived in a log cabin on the tract of land first purchased, one half mile west of Wakarusa. Samuel and Sarah were members of the Mennonite Church at the time the Holdeman congregation was organized, and undoubtedly assisted in building the first church house. At this place their children received their first religious training. Samuel Holdeman was later affiliated with the Christian Church of Wakarusa. In 1890 he was married for the third time to Mary Woodside, who survived him many years.

To Samuel Holdeman and Anna Landis one daughter was born:

1. Mary Holdeman, born March 22, 1842; died September 27, 1867. Aged 25 years, 6 months, 5 days.

Mary Holdeman was reared by her grandmother, Christiana Buzzard Holdeman.

To Samuel Holdeman and Sarah Boyer were born fourteen children:

1. Joseph Holdeman, born August 28, 1846; died October 30, 1846.
2. George B. Holdeman, born September 4, 1847; died April 26, 1889. Aged 41 years, 7 months, 22 days.
3. Henry Holdeman, born January 22, 1849; died January 10, 1914. Aged 64 years, 11 months, 18 days.
4. Hannah Holdeman, born June 18, 1850; died September 30, 1923. Aged 73 years, 3 months, 12 days.
5. Deborah Holdeman, born December 15, 1851; died April 2, 1929. Aged 77 years, 3 months, 17 days.
6. Abraham Holdeman, born May 14, 1853; died November 13, 1926. Aged 73 years, 5 months, 29 days.
7. William B. Holdeman, born March 6, 1855.
8. Caroline Holdeman, born January 10, 1857; died June 23, 1935. Aged 78 years, 5 months, 13 days.
9. Anna Holdeman, born June 25, 1858; died June 3, 1874. Aged 15 years, 11 months, 11 days.
10. Amos Holdeman, born July 19, 1860; died December 17, 1934. Aged 74 years, 4 months, 28 days.
11. Catherine Holdeman, born July 7, 1862.
12. David Holdeman, born June 29, 1864.
13. Enos Holdeman, born May 30, 1866; died June 14, 1915. Aged 49 years, 14 days.
14. Isaiah Holdeman, born November 9, 1868; died April 2, 1931. Aged 62 years, 4 months, 23 days.

Joseph, George, and Henry were born in Wayne County, Ohio. The remaining eleven were born on the Samuel Holdeman homestead one-half mile west of Wakarusa, Indiana.

Third Generation

Mary Holdeman was married April 21, 1861 to Abraham Eicher, born August 9, 1840, son of Daniel and Mary M. (Stuckschleger) Eicher. He died April 20, 1917, aged 76 years, 7 months, 11 days. They lived near Wakarusa, Indiana, but later moved to Michigan, where she died. On February 11, 1865 was recorded the deed in-

dicating that Abraham Eicher purchased from Samuel Holdeman and Sarah his wife for \$1,500 the west half of the northeast quarter of section thirty-five in township thirty-six. (County Deed Book, Vol. 28, p. 294.) This eighty acre tract lies on the west side of the present town of Wakarusa.

Children:

1. Amos Newton Eicher, born September 10, 1862; died June 15, 1915. Aged 52 years, 9 months, 5 days.
2. Melvin Stanley Eicher, born December 26, 1864; died March, 1917. Aged 52 years, 3 months.

Amos Newton Eicher and Melvin Stanley Eicher were both born near Wakarusa, and later removed to Montana, where they farmed. Neither was ever married.

Third Generation

George B. Holdeman was married to Mary C. Harrington, born January 3, 1848 in Ontario, Canada, daughter of John and Mary (Colosky) Harrington. He began his public school teaching career in Olive Township, Elkhart County in 1865 and continued in this and in St. Joseph County until 1875. He moved to Elkhart in 1873 and two years later became a moulder in the foundry of the Lake Shore and Southern Michigan Railroad, which trade he followed nine years. He had in the meantime filled in other vocations of labor, and was also for a time a member of the city council of Elkhart. In 1874 he united with the Evangelical Church, soon became a local preacher of the Gospel, and in July, 1884, was called to fill a vacancy of eight months on the Ft. Recovery circuit of the Indiana Conference. On this charge his appointments, the farthest being twenty-five miles from where he lived, were made by horse and buggy; he was the first of his denomination to preach at Portland, Indiana, where services were held in a Quaker house, and where from his efforts a church was started. The next spring, 1885, he was transferred to the Germantown circuit at East Germantown, Wayne County, Indiana, where he called on every household of the town including the minister of the other church, the Lutheran. During the two following years, 1886 to 1888, he was on the Webster Mission circuit, living one year at Larwill and the next at North Webster. In 1888 he was sent to the Logansport Mission, and in the spring confer-

ence of 1889, held in Elkhart, he was stationed at Logansport for the second year. During this same spring he visited relatives at Wakarusa, and also preached several times in what was known as the Bunker Hill Chapel. He became suddenly ill, and on April 26, 1889, four days after preaching his last sermon, passed on at the age of 41 years, 7 months, and 22 days.

Elder D. S. Oakes said of him: "He was a very conscientious and pious man, earnest and faithful in the discharge of his Christian and official duties; he did not falter, nor did he become easily discouraged in his labors for God. He was punctual, reliable, and effective; his preaching was appropriate, pointed, and instructive. He made rapid progress in his preaching. He had the confidence and the esteem of the entire Conference. A worthy laborer was lost by his untimely death."

Children:

1. Lucy Holdeman, born November 24, 1869.
2. Sylvia Holdeman, born June 26, 1872; died September 2, 1874. Aged 2 years, 2 months, 6 days.
3. Dr. Eugene Holdeman, born May 19, 1874; died October 14, 1935. Aged 61 years, 4 months, 25 days.
4. Reuben Holdeman, born October 13, 1879; died March 25, 1880. Aged 5 months, 12 days.

Fourth Generation

Lucy Holdeman was married August 11, 1901 to Charles R. Galloway at Wakarusa by Rev. Hollopeter at the M. E. parsonage. Charles R. Galloway was born near Lagrange, Indiana, October 2, 1870, and was the son of William H. H. and Eliza (Iman) Galloway.

Children:

1. Hazel Galloway, born September 1, 1902 at Eddy, Lagrange County, Indiana.
2. Irene Galloway, born November 9, 1904 at Ashley, Indiana.
3. Gerald Galloway, born May 29, 1906 at Ashley, Indiana.
4. Hildreth Galloway, born July 27, 1908 at Montpelier, Ohio.
5. Lola Galloway, born March 31, 1911 at Montpelier, Ohio; died at Montpelier March 20, 1914. Aged 2 years, 11 months, 20 days.

Fifth Generation

Hazel Galloway was married March 31, 1926 at Edon, Ohio to Vernal Adelbert, son of William Adelbert. Their home is at Bryan, Ohio, where he is engaged in farming.

Children, born at Bryan, Ohio:

1. Thelma Dolores Adelbert, born July 4, 1927.
2. Virginia Lucile Adelbert, born May 19, 1930.
3. Raymond Adelbert, born June 26, 1932.

Fifth Generation

Irene Galloway was married November 22, 1924 at Goshen, Indiana to Clair J. Miller, born January 23, 1906 at Cando, North Dakota, son of William F. and Nancy (Newcomber) Miller. They live in Elkhart, Indiana, where he is a tester in the Chicago Telephone Supply Co.

Children:

1. Clarys Irene Miller, born February 23, 1926 at Edon, Ohio.
2. Warren Jay Miller, born and died in May, 1935 at Elkhart, Indiana.

Fifth Generation

Gerald Galloway was married January 14, 1930 at Bryan, Ohio to Grace Clifton, born near Fayette, Fulton County, Ohio, daughter of Enoch and Myrtle (Altafer) Clifton. He is a railroad telegraph operator.

Children:

1. Robert Lee Galloway, born August 24, 1930 at Bryan, Ohio.
2. Patricia Ann Galloway, born March 22, 1936 at Bellevue, Ohio.

Fifth Generation

Hildreth Galloway was married April 27, 1935 at Elkhart, Indiana, to Sidney S. Pulaski, born January 1, 1906 in Chicago, Illinois, son of Sylvester J. and Frances (Jasper) Pulaski. He is an electrical engineer.

Fourth Generation

Dr. Eugene Holdeman was married December 25, 1905 to Avice Gravit, born January 3, 1882 in Elkhart County, Indiana, daughter of Edward L. and Alice I. (Meeley) Gravit. He lived in Elkhart until the age of ten. After his father's death five years later, in 1889, he returned to Elkhart where he graduated from the Elkhart High School. He became a clerk in the U. S. Express Office, and later in

the Big Four Freight Office. In the latter place he earned enough money to complete a course at the Indiana Medical College at Indianapolis, where he graduated March 1, 1897. He practiced general medicine two years in Wakarusa, then two in Emma, Lagrange County, and returned in 1901 to Elkhart where he served in his profession the remaining years of his life. He also specialized in eye, ear, nose and throat treatment in consequence of special courses taken in 1903.

With the exception of four years, Dr. Holdeman was coroner of Elkhart County continuously from 1916 to 1935, and at the time of his death was serving his eighth two year term. By reason of his long period of public service, he was one of the most widely known residents of Elkhart County. In several of his contests at the polls he received the largest plurality of any candidate on the Republican county ticket.

He helped to organize the Indiana Mutual Life Insurance Company, with headquarters in Elkhart, and was its president and medical director. He had been re-elected to the presidency at a stockholders' meeting a few days before his death.

Dr. Holdeman was a member of the First Evangelical Church of Elkhart, the Elkhart Academy of Medicine, the Elkhart County Medical Society, the Indiana State Medical Society, the Kiwanis Club, and a number of fraternal organizations.

Children:

1. Alice Mary Holdeman, born March 21, 1908.
2. Gracellen Holdeman, born December 28, 1909.

Fifth Generation

Alice Mary Holdeman was married February 4, 1935 to William D. Pate. They live in Tecumseh, Michigan, where he is a salesman for the Hayden Milling Company.

Fifth Generation

Gracellen Holdeman was married April 23, 1931 to Wilfred Henry Thiele, born December 25, 1903 in Dysart, Iowa, son of William and Lillian (Brasideau) Thiele. He is employed by the Rubber Works of Elkhart, Indiana.

Third Generation

Henry Holdeman was married October 17, 1882 to Minnie Clark, born September 9, 1857, daughter of Absolom

and Matilda (Walker) Clark. She died July 18, 1930. He was a farmer and dairyman, and while living in Olive Township at the west end of Wakarusa for some years after marriage, supplied the town with milk. In 1905 he moved to Locke Township, three and one half miles southwest of Wakarusa, where he had purchased a farm from Levi Weldy. He also lived for a time in Jefferson Township. After retiring from the farm in 1913, he lived in Elkhart, where he died. He was a Mennonite.

Children:

1. Ivan Holdeman, born August 12, 1883.
2. Dora Holdeman, born November 21, 1884.
3. Grace Holdeman, born April 1, 1886; died August 24, 1886.
4. Mattie Holdeman, born August 20, 1888.
5. Emma Holdeman, born November 9, 1890.
6. Jessie Holdeman, born April 24, 1893.
7. Loyal Holdeman, born March 9, 1897.

Fourth Generation

Ivan Holdeman was married April 23, 1908 to Clemma Speraw, born February 7, 1892, daughter of Samuel and Dorothy (Smeltzer) Speraw. She died April 4, 1937. He had been a mail clerk between Chicago and Cleveland on the N. Y. C. railroad, and is now retired, having served thirty years since his appointment on November 1, 1904. He lives at 1001 S. Second Street, Elkhart, Indiana.

Children:

1. Pharris May Holdeman, born June 3, 1909.
2. Arthur Joy Holdeman, born July 2, 1910; died July 5, 1922. Aged 12 years, 3 days.
3. Fay Lorene Holdeman, born May 23, 1912.
4. Margaret Louise Holdeman, born December 10, 1917.

Margaret Louise Holdeman is a student in a business college in Fort Wayne, Indiana.

Fifth Generation

Pharris May Holdeman, since graduation from Manchester College, has been a high school teacher, having begun her career in 1932 at Topeka, Indiana. She now teaches in Pierceton, Indiana.

Fifth Generation

Fay Lorene Holdeman was married December 25, 1931

to Allen Clifford Shunk, born October 16, 1910, the son of Daniel Webster and Marie (Michael) Shunk.

Machinist. Cleveland, Ohio.

One son was born.

1. Max Richard Shunk, born December 1, 1934.

Fourth Generation

Dora Holdeman was married March 7, 1907 to Elmer Steele, born August 24, 1885, son of Moses and Sarah (Gonser) Steele. He has been a switch tender on the N. Y. C. railroad, and they live in Elkhart, Indiana.

Children:

1. Raymond A. Steele, born May 3, 1912.
2. Wilbur Clem Steele, born August 1, 1914; died June 16, 1917.
3. Cecil Alfred Steele, born September 2, 1916.
4. Helen Marie Steele, born December 23, 1929.

Fifth Generation

Raymond A. Steele was married June 14, 1936 to Evelyn McCraner, born December 28, 1917 at Union, Michigan, daughter of James and Nettie (Wilson) McCraner.

Fourth Generation

Mattie Holdeman was married February 13, 1906 to James Wood.

Two sons were born:

1. William Wood.
2. Cleveland Wood.

Mattie Holdeman was married the second time to Carl Sweenke. He is a mariner, and they live at 449 47th St. San Francisco, California.

Fourth Generation

Emma Holdeman was married September 5, 1909 to Henry Walter McDowell, born February 20, 1888, son of George and Emeline (Kindig) McDowell. They live in Elkhart, Indiana.

They have one son:

1. Loyal Charles McDowell, born June 16, 1912.

Fifth Generation

Loyal Charles McDowell was married August 9, 1936 to Edith Erickson of Elkhart, Indiana.

Fourth Generation

Jessie Holdeman was married to William Clark. They live in Chicago, Illinois, where he is a roofer.

To them was born:

1. Lorena Clark, born October 27, 1916.
2. Eleanor Clark, born September 11, 1925.

Fourth Generation

Loyal Holdeman was married October 16, 1916 to Florence Larson, born August 12, 1897, daughter of Jacob A. and Catherine (Lauer) Larson. He has been a switch tender on the N. Y. C. railroad, and also a farmer north of Goshen, Indiana, where they now reside.

Three sons:

1. Richard John Holdeman, born January 4, 1918.
2. Lawrence Jack Holdeman, born March 14, 1919.
3. Archie Holdeman, born July 16, 1921.

Third Generation

Hannah Holdeman was married May 18, 1871 to Amos Root, who was born in 1833 in Ohio, and died September 30, 1923; aged 90 years. She had been a school teacher in Indiana, and the Holdeman School one mile west of Wakarusa was one of the schools in which she taught. In the year of their marriage they went west, arriving in San Francisco and from there went to Portland, Oregon. They settled in Wasco County, Oregon, near Mosier, where they were pioneers. Amos Root founded the first commercial apple and pear orchards in the Mosier district. In 1907 he organized the Mosier Fruit Growers' Association and served as its president until his retirement to private life when he was elected honorary president. He owned extensive orchard properties. They were members of the Methodist Church. Credit is due to Hannah Holdeman Root for several sketches she had written and published relative to pioneer history of Wakarusa and the Samuel Holdeman family.

To Amos Root and Hannah Holdeman Root were born eight children:

1. Mary Alice Root, born November 25, 1871.
2. Elmer Lewis Root, born October 6, 1873.
3. Alvin Leo Root, born July 26, 1876.
4. Sarah Rozella Root, born April 19, 1879.
5. Nora Arvilla Root, born February 8, 1885; died March 27, 1917. Aged 32 years, 1 month, 19 days.
6. Edna Arrissia Root, born September 19, 1888.

7. Leslie Owen Root, born July 30, 1890.
8. Clyde Amos Root, born October 8, 1892.

Fourth Generation

Mary Alice Root was married November 25, 1894 to Wallace Husbands, born February 21, 1865, son of Samuel and Elizabeth (Gregory) Husbands. He was a blacksmith. They live at Mosier, Oregon, and are affiliated with the Federated Church. Mary Alice Root Husbands is City Treasurer at Mosier.

Children:

1. Hannah Muriel Husbands, born December 4, 1895; died September 25, 1896.
2. Emily Rozella Husbands, born January 24, 1898.
3. Mary Arvilla Husbands, born December 7, 1904.

Fifth Generation

Emily R. Husbands was a school teacher, and taught at Redmond, Oregon; Mosier, Oregon; and Wendburg, Oregon. She graduated in 1920 from the Oregon Agricultural College, and in 1922 from the Oregon State Normal School. She is at present employed by the Government Rehabilitation Program.

Fifth Generation

Mary Arvilla Husbands was married April 20, 1931 to Paul Sandman, son of Paul and Tillie Sandman. He is by occupation a box nailer. They live at Hood River, Oregon, and are members of the Catholic Church.

Fourth Generation

Elmer Lewis Root was married January 19, 1902 to Addie Kent, daughter of Alfonso and Frankie Kent.

Farmer. Mosier, Oregon.

Children:

1. Eugene Hayward Root, born April 3, 1903.
2. Howard Kent Root, born June 12, 1908.
3. Amos Elmer Root, born June 25, 1911.

Fifth Generation

Eugene Hayward Root was married March 30, 1932 to Mabel Claire Davis. He is a clerk in a wholesale house at Yakima, Washington, where they live.

Children:

1. Marilyn Claire Root, born August 3, 1933.
2. Barbara Jean Root, born January 7, 1935.

Fourth Generation

Alvin Leo Root was married December 19, 1906 to Lottie McDonald.

Laborer. 1005 S. E. Tenino St., Portland, Oregon.

Fourth Generation

Sarah Rozella Root married William Harry Jones, son of William and Anna Jones. He was born July 5, 1865, and died November 17, 1900.

They had one daughter:

1. Bessie Alice Jones, born April 3, 1901.

Sarah Rozella Root was married the second time October 7, 1906 to Elmer W. Davidhizar, son of Jacob and Lydia (Weaver) Davidhizar.

Miner. Mosier, Oregon. Christian Church.

To them was born:

1. Roscoe Root Davidhizar, born November 3, 1907.

Fifth Generation

Bessie Alice Jones was married December 30, 1922 to Lloyd Dexter Fisher, son of Samuel and Alice (Woods) Fisher. Their address is 5824 North Concord Street, Portland, Oregon. He is a steam shovel operator.

To them was born:

1. Harold Lloyd Fisher, born January 25, 1923.

Fifth Generation

Roscoe Root Davidhizar was married April 15, 1930 to Bernice Paulus, daughter of Walter and May (Duffy) Paulus.

Miner. Mosier, Oregon.

Fourth Generation

Nora Arvilla Root was married May 23, 1906 to George Rorden, son of George and Elizabeth (Nickelson) Rorden. They live at Mosier, Oregon, and are members of the Baptist Church.

Children:

1. Carl Frederick Rorden, born May 16, 1907.
2. Esther Arrissia Rorden, born February 13, 1909.
3. Elsie Helena Rorden, born December 31, 1912.
4. Wilma Alice Rorden, born May 22, 1914.

Fifth Generation

Esther Arrissia Rorden was married December 31, 1930 to George Edward Hill. They live at Vallejo, California.

Children:

1. Florence Mae Hill, born December 9, 1931.
2. Charles Henry Hill, born April 19, 1933.

Fifth Generation

Elsie Helena Rorden was married June 7, 1930 to Clarence Young Hinshaw. They were divorced February 9, 1931, and her second marriage was to Orie William Springer on April 9, 1934.

Fifth Generation

Wilma Alice Rorden was married January 20, 1934 to Walter Robert Reed. He is an automobile salesman, and they live at Vallejo, California.

To them was born:

1. Ann Marie Reed, born July 6, 1934.

Fourth Generation

Edna Arrissia Root was married October 14, 1908 to George Ernest Evans, born November 2, 1886 at Wellington, Kansas, son of Samuel and Letissia (Denton) Evans. He is City Recorder of Mosier, Oregon. They are members of the Baptist Church.

Children:

1. Nedra Ealeene Evans, born February 16, 1910.
2. V'Ona Maude Evans, born March 23, 1912.
3. Audrey Cleone Evans, born October 23, 1916.
4. Delorous Emily Evans, born February 11, 1923.
5. Zelda Lee Evans, born January 18, 1926.

Fifth Generation

Nedra Ealeene Evans was married February 16, 1927 to Clarence Rice, born February 16, 1902 at Wenatchee, Washington, son of Etta (Cain) Rice. He is a dairy farmer and they live near Toppenish, Washington.

Children:

1. Anita Marie Rice, born March 14, 1929.
2. Lavilla Yetieve Rice, born September 13, 1930.

Fifth Generation

V'Ona Maude Evans was married December 23, 1931 to Donald Blanchard, born January 16, 1912 at Prineville, Oregon, son of James and Lillie (Hemersly) Blanchard. He is a mechanic, and is at present employed in an iron works. Their address is Lakeview, Oregon.

To them was born:

1. Dwain Douglas Blanchard, born March 13, 1932.

Fourth Generation

Leslie Owen Root was married November 29, 1916 to Olive Fisher, daughter of Samuel and Alice (Woods) Fisher. He is a Master Mechanic; their address is 203 N. Willamette Blvd., Portland, Oregon.

Fourth Generation

Clyde Amos Root was married December 16, 1923 to Christine Pugh, daughter of Archie and Lillian (Campbell) Pugh.

Farmer. Mosier, Oregon. Christian Church.

Children:

1. Verne Leroy Root, born October 29, 1924.
2. Kenneth Archie Root, born November 29, 1926.
3. Lelia Bernice Root, born April 8, 1930.

Third Generation

Deborah Holdeman was married January 2, 1870 to Henry Wagner. He was born March 14, 1849, and died December 26, 1931; aged 82 years, 9 months, 12 days. For many years she assisted her husband in conducting a boarding house in Wakarusa; by her industry and her kind and cheery disposition, she won hosts of friends. She was a member of the Methodist Church and the Women's Relief Corps. In addition to her devotion to the duties of the home, and her helpfulness to friends and neighbors, she found time to care for orphaned children. During their life together she and her husband cared for more than nineteen children, taking them into their home and rearing them for a number of years.

To Henry Wagner and Deborah Holdeman Wagner one daughter was born:

1. Hattie Wagner, born December 12, 1870; died May 26, 1885. Aged 14 years, 5 months, 14 days.

Alma Wagner, an adopted daughter, was born in 1883; died December 7, 1904. Aged 21 years.

Fourth Generation

Alma Wagner was married to Reuben Husband, born December 5, 1871, son of Harmon and Mariah (Fetters) Husband. Shortly after their marriage they went to Alaska for her health, and she died soon after their return.

Third Generation

Abraham Holdeman was married November 24, 1877 to Martha Lehman, born April 10, 1859, daughter of Josiah

and Hannah (Holderead) Lehman. Abraham Holdeman had been for twenty years a blacksmith in Wakarusa, Indiana. He owned forty acres of the home place just west of Wakarusa; this farm he sold to Henry Martin and bought eighty acres near Oak Grove in St. Joseph County; these eighty acres were sold and he purchased the forty acres of the home place where his brother, Henry Holdeman, had lived; this was sold and he finally purchased an eighty acre farm southwest of Goshen in Elkhart Township, Elkhart County, Indiana. On this farm he lived until his death. He is buried in the Violett Cemetery near Goshen.

Children:

1. Chloe Holdeman, born June 7, 1878.
2. Maud Holdeman, born April 3, 1882.
3. Charles Roscoe Holdeman, born October 11, 1886.

Charles Roscoe Holdeman is a farmer on the Abraham Holdeman farm west of Goshen. He is unmarried.

Fourth Generation

Chloe Holdeman was married August 11, 1894 to John Culp. Two of their children died in infancy; a son grew to maturity:

1. Myron Culp, born September 2, 1897.

He is a farmer on the Abraham Holdeman farm, and is unmarried.

Chloe Holdeman was married the second time March 20, 1922 to Phillip J. Burkle, born September 17, 1858 at Marshall, Michigan, son of Jacob and Caroline (Myer) Burkle. He has been employed many years at the Conn musical instrument factory in Elkhart, where he is chief inspector. They live at 400 East Jackson Blvd., Elkhart, Indiana.

Fourth Generation

Maud Holdeman was married October 25, 1902 to John S. Hardesty, born April 27, 1879. They operate a fruit farm near Bristol, Indiana.

They have two sons:

1. George A. Hardesty, born August 16, 1903.
2. Howard H. Hardesty, born December 15, 1907.

Fifth Generation

George A. Hardesty was married to Margaret Kresen.

He is employed by the Ford Motor Co., and lives in Dearborn, Michigan, 6411 Payne Ave.

They have a son:

1. Richard Allen Hardesty, born August 29, 1930.

Fifth Generation

Howard H. Hardesty was married July 29, 1930 to Margaret Prichard. He is credit manager for the General Electric Co., and lives at 12635 Mendola, Detroit, Michigan.

Third Generation

William B. Holdeman was married November 22, 1877 to Mary E. Groves, who was born June 17, 1855 in Putnam County, Ohio, and was the daughter of Levi and Nancy (Murphy) Groves. He had been a farmer near Wakarusa, Indiana until 1905, when they moved to Elkhart. In February, 1911 he began working for the organization now known as the Northern Indiana Public Service Company, and was a stoker in their gas plant until he resigned January 1, 1928. They were members of the Evangelical Church, and lived at 928 Hubbard Avenue.

Children:

1. Henrietta Holdeman, born July 12, 1878; died February 19, 1880.
2. Lamar Holdeman, born February 19, 1881; died November 18, 1888.
3. Blanche Holdeman, born January 20, 1883.
4. Harry S. Holdeman, born March 9, 1885; died November 24, 1888.
5. Hubert Holdeman, born September 9, 1887.
6. Edgar Ray Holdeman, born March 7, 1890; died June 22, 1891.
7. Manford Holdeman, born November 4, 1894.

Fourth Generation

Blanche Holdeman was married February 18, 1902 by Rev. Peter Huffman at Jamestown, Indiana to George Dunmire, born October 7, 1878 near Elkhart, Indiana, son of Jeremiah and Mary (Overmire) Dunmire. They moved from Elkhart to Canada in 1912, and live near Gull Lake, Saskatchewan, where they are engaged in grain farming on a farm of over 1,100 acres.

Children:

1. Rufus Wilbert Dunmire, adopted son, born April 17,

1904; died May 9, 1924.

2. Mary Dunmire, born April 17, 1908.

Fifth Generation

Mary Dunmire was married in Gull Lake, Saskatchewan, Canada, on July 2, 1932 to Clifford Schriver, born in Fredricton, New Brunswick, Canada, son of David and Sarah (Mullan) Schriver. He is a school teacher and a civil engineer. They live at Gull Lake and have one daughter:

1. Mary Lorraine Schriver, born April 9, 1933.

Fourth Generation

Hubert Holdeman was married February 14, 1920 to Georgia Kern, daughter of Samuel and Tracy (Frank) Kern. They live at Jamestown, Indiana, where he is proprietor of a general store. There are no children.

Fourth Generation

Manford Holdeman was married February 14, 1919 to Julia Wiley, born February 17, 1900, daughter of James and Clara (Lee) Wiley. He has been a city mail carrier in Elkhart since 1925, and their address is 2035 Aurora Street.

Children:

1. William Holdeman, born November 15, 1919.
2. Betty Jean Holdeman, born September 2, 1921.
3. Doris Elen Holdeman, born March 16, 1925.
4. George Richard Holdeman, born May 23, 1936.

Third Generation

Caroline Holdeman was married August 15, 1880 to John Pippenger, son of Jacob Pippenger. In youth she learned the milliner's trade in the millinery shop of Mrs. Eyer at Wakarusa, Indiana, and later conducted her own shop in Nappanee, Indiana. In 1898 she went to Chicago where she was employed in a millinery store, but later returned and continued her trade in Nappanee. She was in the millinery business in Nappanee for about forty years. In 1919 she returned to Chicago, and lived with her daughter since 1927. She was a member of the Evangelical Church.

Children, born in Nappanee, Indiana:

1. Henry Melvin Pippenger, born September 9, 1882.
2. Georgia Belle Pippenger, born July 8, 1885.
3. Guy Renso Pippenger, born July 2, 1890.

Caroline Holdeman, after separation from John Pip-

penger, was married June 15, 1901 to Charles Pettit, who died in 1913.

Fourth Generation

Henry Melvin Pippenger was married December 20, 1903 to Irene Cowin, born February 6, 1886 in Pittsburg, Pennsylvania, daughter of Joseph and Hannah (Davis) Cowin. He is a traveling ribbon salesman, and lives in Albion, Indiana. They formerly lived in Chicago, Illinois.

Children, born in Chicago, Illinois:

1. Dorothy Maud Pippenger, born February 2, 1907.
2. Edward Melvin Pippenger, born August 3, 1909.
3. Janie Margaret Pippenger, born April 14, 1910; died March 29, 1936.
4. Vaughn Lee Pippenger, born April 19, 1916.

Fifth Generation

Janie Margaret Pippenger was married November 30, 1926 to Charles Rossiter, born October 7, 1910 in Chicago, Illinois, son of George and Alice (Jones) Rossiter.

They had one daughter:

1. Betty Jane Rossiter, born September 6, 1927 in Chicago, Illinois.

Fourth Generation

Georgia Belle Pippenger was married September 30, 1903 to William Frederick Chamblin, born February 20, 1882 in St. Louis, Missouri, son of William Allen and Elizabeth (Behring) Chamblin. He is Superintendent at the Seng Company, a Furniture and Hardware firm of Chicago, Illinois. Mrs. Chamblin came from Nappanee to Chicago in 1898, and was employed for five years in a Chicago Millinery Store. They live at 1157 North Keeler St., Chicago.

Children:

1. Irene Belle Chamblin, born October 8, 1904.
2. Hazel Elizabeth Chamblin, born September 1, 1906.
3. William Frederick Chamblin, born June 30, 1909; died February 19, 1910.
4. Georgia Lucille Chamblin, born June 30, 1909; died August 10, 1911.
5. Nedra Caroline Chamblin, born December 23, 1911.
6. Wayne Allen Chamblin, born November 3, 1915.
7. Glenn Atwood Chamblin, born April 6, 1918.

Fifth Generation

Irene Belle Chamblin was married June 25, 1927 to

James Goold, born June 20, 1903 in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, son of David and Anna (Hinrich) Goold.

Carpenter. 1118 N. Kildare Ave., Chicago, Illinois.

Fifth Generation

Hazel Elizabeth Chamblin was married November 11, 1933 to Phillip Henck, born July 31, 1893 in Chicago, Illinois, son of Otto and Paulina (Weber) Henck.

Railroad Clerk. 4157 Crystal Ave., Chicago, Illinois.

They have a daughter:

1. Carol Lynn Henck, born January 20, 1936.

Fourth Generation

Guy Renso Pippenger was married September 15, 1913 to Blanche Nelson, born June 2, 1897 in Chicago, Illinois. He is an employee of the Western Electric Company of Chicago, Illinois, and they live at 4824 Cermak Road, Chicago.

Children:

1. Georgia Caroline Pippenger, born February 13, 1916.
2. Glenn Pippenger, born June 18, 1931.

Third Generation

Amos Holdeman, who was born near Wakarusa, Indiana, went to Freeport, Illinois in 1888 where he worked on a farm until January, 1901. He was married January 29, 1891 to Mary Elizabeth Beidler, daughter of Henry Beidler of Dakota, Illinois. They farmed in Illinois until 1913, when they moved to Fergus Falls, Minnesota, where they farmed on a bigger scale. Mary Elizabeth Beidler Holdeman, who was born November 23, 1866, in Juniata County, Pennsylvania, passed away December 15, 1916 at Fergus Falls, Minnesota, and was buried at Freeport, Illinois. In 1918 Amos Holdeman moved to Plentywood, Montana, in Sheridan County, where he farmed on a very large scale. In 1930 he had sale, selling all but one set of farming implements and his cattle. He raised cattle for pass time up to the time of his death. He suffered a stroke on December 15 and passed away December 18, 1935 at the Sheridan Memorial Hospital, Plentywood, Montana. His estate had a very fine sale on April 2, 1935. He is buried at Freeport, Illinois. Until his dying day he was a faithful member of the Mennonite Church.

To Amos Holdeman and Mary Elizabeth Beidler Holdeman six children were born:

1. Ida May Holdeman, born March 27, 1892.
2. Joseph Ray Holdeman, born April 30, 1893.
3. Leonard Amos Holdeman, born August 20, 1895.
4. Timothy William Holdeman, born April 30, 1898; died July 16, 1935. Aged 37 years, 2 months, 16 days.
5. Ralph Russell Holdeman, born December 5, 1900; died January 30, 1901.
6. Fannie Rosella Holdeman, born May 13, 1905; died April 24, 1935. Aged 29 years, 11 months, 11 days.

The above were all born in Lancaster Township, Stephenson County, Illinois.

Fourth Generation

Ida May Holdeman was married September 21, 1911 to George Johnson of Morrison, Illinois. They are now living on a farm at Detroit Lakes, Minnesota, Star Route. They attend the Mennonite Church of Detroit Lakes.

Children:

1. Floyd Mervin Johnson, born May 26, 1913.
2. Harold Russell Johnson, born June 24, 1914.
3. Elmer Ray Johnson, born September 6, 1915.
4. Ralph Clarence Johnson, born January 13, 1917.
5. Earl Ervin Johnson, born June 20, 1918.
6. Ethel May Johnson, born December 30, 1919.
7. Ruth Irene Johnson, born April 2, 1921.
8. Kenneth Emory Johnson, born February 18, 1923.
9. Alice Kathryn Johnson, born June 22, 1924.
10. Fay Vernon Johnson, born August 6, 1926.
11. Marie Luella Johnson, born March 11, 1929.
12. Grace Fannie Johnson, born January 24, 1935.

Fourth Generation

Joseph Ray Holdeman was married June 3, 1914 to Rella Johnson, of Mt. Horb, Wisconsin. He is a molder by trade. They live at 411 So. Van Buren Avenue, Freeport, Illinois, and attend the First English Lutheran Church of Freeport.

Children:

1. Roland Raymond Holdeman, born June 17, 1918.
2. Geraldean Rella Holdeman, born October 1, 1920.
3. Eugene Joseph Holdeman, born October 18, 1922.
4. Donald Roy Holdeman, born March 25, 1925.



Samuel and Sarah (Boyer) Holdeman.

Fourth Generation

Leonard Amos Holdeman has spent most of his time farming. He was in the navy during the World War, having enlisted on December 9, 1917, and was discharged August 5, 1919. He is a graduate of the National Auctioneering School and has about all the sales for miles around. He was never married and is a bachelor farmer living on his 160 acre farm all alone. He raises many watermelons. By the children he is known as the watermelon man, and by the older people as the Auctioneer. He lives at Reserve, Montana, R. R. 2.

Fourth Generation

Timothy William Holdeman was married December 29, 1922 to Mildred Froslic, of Fergus Falls, Minnesota. In 1927 they moved to Sheridan County, Montana, near Plentywood, where he farmed on a large scale a 1,500 acre farm, raising mostly wheat. His early death was caused by cancer of the intestines, and he had been a patient at the Minot Hospital in Minot, North Dakota, and at the Memorial Hospital at Plentywood, Montana. He is buried at Fergus Falls, Minnesota, and was a member of the Mennonite Church.

Children:

1. Leroy William Holdeman, born December 27, 1923.
2. Clayton Harold Holdeman, born November 22, 1927.
3. Darlene Mildred Holdeman, born September 14, 1930.

Fourth Generation

Fannie Rosella Holdeman was married December 9, 1925 to Rudolph White. At the age of eight she moved with her parents from Dakota, Illinois to Fergus Falls, Minnesota. She lost her mother when she was only eleven years old, leaving her to keep house for her father and brother. They soon moved to Sheridan County, Montana, where she lived until her death. She died at the Memorial Hospital at Plentywood, and had been a faithful member of the Mennonite Church for fifteen years. Her husband and children live on a farm at Reserve, Montana.

Children:

1. Clifford White, born September 10, 1926.
2. Harvey White, born September 4, 1927; died August 4, 1930. Aged 2 years, 11 months.
3. Ervin White, born April 15, 1929.

4. Rosella White, born December 8, 1931.
5. Harold White, born November 19, 1933.
6. Evelyn White, born March 2, 1935.

Third Generation

Catherine Holdeman was married February 22, 1880 to John Gingerich, born October 28, 1851, son of Christian Gingerich, who was born in Germany, and Anna (Smeltzer) Gingerich, a cousin of Henry Smeltzer. John Gingerich had been a carpenter; after marriage they lived on a small farm in Harrison Township, Elkhart County, Indiana, and in 1881 they moved to Elkhart. He died May 9, 1919.

Children:

1. Leroy Gingerich, born August 13, 1881.
2. Elnora Gingerich, born December 7, 1883.
3. Warren Gingerich, born March 2, 1886.
4. Ruth Gingerich, born September 25, 1888.
5. Roscoe Gingerich, born January 30, 1892.
6. Samuel Leslie Gingerich, born July 22, 1895.
7. Debra Gingerich, born June 29, 1898.
8. Lowell Gingerich, born March 17, 1900; died June 1, 1900.
9. Harry Gingerich, born November 19, 1905.

Catherine Holdeman Gingerich was married June 2, 1927 to Charles Ister, born November 25, 1863 in Snider County, Pa., son of Jesse and Catherine (Weber) Ister. They are members of the Evangelical Church and live at 505 Aspenwald Avenue, Elkhart, Indiana.

Fourth Generation

Leroy Gingerich was married November 25, 1903 to Lena Preim. They live in Osceola, Indiana, and he is a woodworker in the Dodge Manufacturing Co. of Mishawaka. No descendants.

Fourth Generation

Elnora Gingerich was married June 14, 1904 to Perry Bliss, born November 29, 1882, son of Charles J. and Mary (Brown) Bliss.

Carpenter. 1342 Jasper Ave., Mentone, California.

Children:

1. Eleanor May Bliss, born April 16, 1905.
2. Helen Elizabeth Bliss, born May 2, 1907.

Fifth Generation

Eleanor May Bliss was married August 30, 1924 to Cor-

nelius Nydam, born July 31, 1904, son of Frank and Johanna Nydam.

Interstate long distance trucking. Oak Park, Illinois.

Children:

1. Corrinne Elizabeth Nydam, born March 1, 1930.
2. Carol Ann Nydam, born January 6, 1935.

Fifth Generation

Helen Elizabeth Bliss was married March 19, 1933 to James D. Brewer, born April 12, 1901, son of John William and Mary Jane (Hart) Brewer. He had been a soldier in France during the World War. They live in Mentone, California, where he is at present a gas station operator.

Children:

1. Arline Kay Brewer, born March 31, 1934.
2. Doris Marie Brewer, born November 20, 1935.

Fourth Generation

Warren Gingerich was married May 23, 1906 to Pearl Cook, born September 22, 1884 in Paulding County, Ohio, daughter of Sylvester and Cordelia (Thomson) Cook. She died April 17, 1936, aged 51 years, 6 months, 25 days. He had been for 15 years a baker in the Huffman Bakery of Nappanee, Indiana, and was later with a bakery in Huntington, Indiana. At present he is a baker in Lagrange, Indiana.

Children:

1. Floyd Gingerich, born October 17, 1907.
2. Ruth Bernice Gingerich, born May 23, 1912.
3. Paul Gingerich, born March 9, 1921.

Fifth Generation

Floyd Gingerich was married June 27, 1926 to Thelma Shively, born September 26, 1905 in Etna Green, Indiana, daughter of Fred and Mabel (Hull) Shively. He is a baker at Syracuse, Indiana.

They have a daughter:

1. Rosemary Gingerich, born May 14, 1933.

Fifth Generation

Ruth Bernice Gingerich was married to William Henry Myers, born October 30, 1909 in Elkhart, Indiana, son of Charles H. and Ethel (Cooper) Myers. They live in Detroit, Michigan, and he is employed by the Great Lakes Steel Corporation.

Children:

1. William ("Billy") Myers, born January 31, 1931.
2. Patricia Ann Myers, born May 21, 1935.

Fourth Generation

Ruth Gingerich was married October 11, 1921 to William Ruff, born in Evansville, Indiana. They live in Detroit where he is a chemist for the United States Rubber Company.

Fourth Generation

Roscoe Gingerich is a machinist for the N. Y. C. railroad and lives in Chicago.

Fourth Generation

Samuel Leslie Gingerich was married July 15, 1930 to Marion Louise Cable, born September 8, 1900, daughter of Warren C. and Gazelle (Philliber) Cable. He is a brakeman for the N. Y. C. railroad, and lives in Elkhart, Indiana.

Fourth Generation

Debra Gingerich was married June 17, 1916 to Warren Miller, born April 17, 1893, son of Joseph H. and Catharine (Christophel) Miller. He is a clerk in Berman's Sporting Goods Store in Elkhart.

They have a daughter:

1. Kathryn Miller, born May 17, 1917.

Fourth Generation

Harry Gingerich was married December 6, 1924 to Ada M. Zimmer, born February 19, 1907, daughter of David L. and Florence M. (Peck) Zimmer. He had been a burnisher at the Conn Band Instrument Factory of Elkhart. They live at 505 Aspenwald Avenue, Elkhart, Ind.

Children:

1. Elizabeth Kathryn Hope Gingerich, born July 18, 1926.
2. Vernice June Gingerich, born December 29, 1928.

Third Generation

David Holdeman was married December 22, 1889 to Hannah Stump, born October 12, 1868, daughter of Daniel and Sarah (Snoke) Stump. They moved from Elkhart County, Indiana to Cass County, Michigan, near Union, on March 17, 1908. On December 18, 1920 he was ordained a deacon in the Mennonite Brethren in Christ Church. His occupation has been farming.

Children:

1. Ira V. Holdeman, born February 28, 1891.
2. Olen Eugene Holdeman, born January 3, 1893; died May 29, 1896. Aged 3 years, 4 months, 26 days.
3. Daniel O. Holdeman, born March 31, 1895.
4. Wilma V. Holdeman, born April 19, 1897.
5. Walter R. Holdeman, born September 19, 1899.
6. Clayton J. Holdeman, born October 23, 1901.
7. Ella G. Holdeman, born October 25, 1904.
8. Florence C. Holdeman, born January 28, 1907; died May 23, 1907.
9. Grace M. Holdeman, born November 13, 1908.
10. Vida B. Holdeman, born November 13, 1910; died January 10, 1911.
11. Paul L. Holdeman, born September 14, 1912.

Grace M. Holdeman graduated from the Fort Wayne Bible School in 1931.

Fourth Generation

Ira V. Holdeman was married December 25, 1912 to Anna L. Kegerreis, born August 2, 1887, daughter of Samuel and Mary (Bickel) Kegerreis. They live near Bristol, in Elkhart County, Indiana, where he is a thresher and farmer.

Children:

1. Howard K. Holdeman, born July 19, 1922.
2. Murle B. Holdeman, born September 22, 1925.

Fourth Generation

Daniel O. Holdeman was married June 15, 1915 to Ola M. Jones, born May 17, 1891, daughter of James and Catherine (Shideler) Jones.

Farmer. Cassopolis, Michigan. Mennonite Brethren in Christ.

Children:

1. Clifford C. Holdeman, born March 18, 1916.
2. Doris E. Holdeman, born November 24, 1920.
3. Phyllis M. Holdeman, born December 20, 1924.

Fourth Generation

Wilma V. Holdeman was married February 17, 1915 to R. Stanley Marks, born September 17, 1893, son of John and Jennie (Diethrich) Marks.

Farmer. Jones, Michigan. Mennonite Brethren in Christ.

Children :

1. D. Joy Marks, born February 1, 1918.
2. Esther L. Marks, born November 10, 1919.
3. Donald L. Marks, born January 7, 1922.
4. Glenn H. Marks, born July 27, 1925.
5. Alta Irene Marks, born September 8, 1933.

Fourth Generation

Walter R. Holdeman was married June 21, 1922 to Florence H. Barthel, born November 10, 1898, daughter of Lewis and Margaret (Edwards) Barthel. She had been a teacher near Bristol, Indiana. He entered the teaching profession, and taught at Covert, Michigan, 1918-1919; near Union, Michigan, 1919-1921; was an instructor in the Wakarusa, Indiana, High School, 1922-1925; principal at Stockbridge, Michigan, 1926-1927; and has been instructor in mathematics and science in the Jackson, Michigan, High School since 1927. In 1926 he received the B. A. degree from the State Teachers' College at Kalamazoo, Michigan. They are affiliated with the Methodist Church.

Children :

1. Virgil L. Holdeman, born June 24, 1923.
2. Carl E. Holdeman, born April 27, 1925; died June 23, 1925.
3. Gladys E. Holdeman, born January 5, 1928.

Fourth Generation

Clayton J. Holdeman was married October 23, 1926 to Florence M. Klein, born April 6, 1903, daughter of William and Elizabeth (Hunsberger) Klein. He was for a number of years a finisher of concrete roads, but in the spring of 1935 moved on a farm south of South Bend, Indiana. They are members of the Church of God.

1. Juanita J. Holdeman, born August 14, 1927.
2. Estella Mae Holdeman, born July 20, 1931.
3. Vera Lucille Holdeman, born April 14, 1936.

Fourth Generation

Ella G. Holdeman is a teacher, and taught in Blaine County, Montana, 1923-1924; Cassopolis, Michigan, 1926-1927; Osolo School in Elkhart County, in Indiana, 1928-1930; and has been teaching in Cass County, Michigan since 1931. She received her life license in 1926.

Third Generation

Enos Holdeman was married September 17, 1899 in Del Norte, Colorado, to Louise Lemke, born July 11, 1880 in New York City, daughter of Reynold and Louise (Doll) Lemke. He had mined until 1905 and they lived in Creede, Colorado, where he was a member of the Creede Fire Department. At the time of his death he was farming near Monte Viste, Colorado. They were Baptists. Louise lives at 344 Madison Street, Monte Viste, Colorado.

Children:

1. Helen Louise Holdeman, born September 5, 1900.
2. Enos Theodore Holdeman, born June 13, 1903.
3. Madeline Deborah Holdeman, born June 22, 1905.
4. Estella Matilda Holdeman, born September 26, 1916.

Fourth Generation

Helen Louise Holdeman was married November 9, 1920 to Charley O. Stewart, born March 19, 1899 at Center, Colorado, son of William T. and Julia Etta (Hayes) Stewart.

Farmer. Del Norte, Colorado. Methodist.

Children:

1. Hazel Enid Stewart, born October 24, 1921.
2. Robert Bruce Stewart, born August 12, 1934.

Fourth Generation

Enos Theodore Holdeman was married August 11, 1926 to Dorothy Butler, born March 23, 1908 at Octavia, Nebraska, daughter of Sherman and Ida (Mohler) Butler.

Miner. Uravan, Colorado. Methodist.

Children:

1. Theda June Holdeman, born June 25, 1927.
2. Joy Robert Holdeman, born June 29, 1929.
3. Carol Lee Holdeman, born December 9, 1934.

Fourth Generation

Madeline Deborah Holdeman was married May 22, 1923 to Edwin Wilbur Tucker, son of Edward and Bertha (Barrett) Tucker.

They have a son:

1. Edwin Wilbur Tucker, Jr., born May 7, 1924.

Madeline Deborah Holdeman was married the second time September 7, 1936 to George Henry Pate, born September 28, 1899 at Canadian, Oklahoma, son of William

John and Jenny Katherine (Hudson) Pate. He is a produce shipper, and they live at Robstown, Texas.

Fourth Generation

Estelle Matilda Holdeman was married March 18, 1936 to Elvis Ralph Denton, born July 29, 1910 in Monte Viste, Colorado, son of E. T. and Esther Mary (Turnbull) Denton. He is a machinist and they live at 223 Madison St., Monte Viste, Colorado.

Third Generation

Isaiah Holdeman was married in 1891 to Minnie Robinson, born August 17, 1873, daughter of Martin and Mary (Mitchell) Robinson. They lived in Wakarusa until 1900 when they moved to Lakeville. On May 11, 1902 Minnie Robinson Holdeman died, aged 28 years, 8 months, 24 days, and in the same year Isaiah moved to Elkhart, where he was for many years a boilermaker in the employ of the N. Y. C. Railroad.

Children:

1. Edward S. Holdeman, born January 28, 1893.
2. Forest E. Holdeman, born September 25, 1894.
3. Marvin Holdeman, born June 2, 1896; died February 19, 1930. Aged 33 years, 8 months, 17 days.
4. Floyd Holdeman, born September 1, 1897.
5. Lucile Holdeman, born June 21, 1901.

Isaiah Holdeman was married the second time March 7, 1906 to Emma Godshalk, born November 13, 1873, daughter of William Freeman and Augusta (Groff) Godshalk. She died November 20, 1932. They lived at 607 W. Wolf Avenue, Elkhart, Indiana.

Children:

1. Esther Leona Holdeman, born May 17, 1907.
2. Helen Bernice Holdeman, born May 23, 1909.
3. Ervene Julia Holdeman, born April 24, 1915.

Fourth Generation

Edward S. Holdeman was married September 25, 1915 to Daisy Holderman, born December 13, 1890, daughter of George and Martha (Wagner) Holderman. They live on a farm four miles south and one mile west of Nappanee, Indiana.

Children:

1. Wilma Holdeman, born September 6, 1920.

2. Clifford Holdeman, born July 30, 1922.
3. Doris Jean Holdeman, born March 17, 1928.

Fourth Generation

Forest E. Holdeman was married September 9, 1920 to Bertha M. Eckelbarger, born March 4, 1898, daughter of George E. and Lillie W. (Raatz) Eckelbarger. He is a machinist, and they live at 425 Melchior Avenue, Elkhart, Indiana.

Children:

1. Norman Lavon Holdeman, born August 2, 1922.
2. Roger Dean Holdeman, born May 20, 1935.

Fourth Generation

Marvin Holdeman was married April 7, 1918 to Edna Leona Manges, born May 15, 1900. She died February 23, 1926. On February 19, 1930 Marvin Holdeman with several other men was hunting a dog who had been ravaging sheep flocks in the vicinity. He apparently fell from the running board of the automobile, causing his gun accidentally to discharge. He was taken to the Epworth Hospital at South Bend, where he died the same evening. He had lived with his foster parents, Mr. and Mrs. Leman Schafer, six miles northwest of Bremen, Indiana.

Children:

1. Lucile Eleanor Holdeman, born September 29, 1919.
2. Merritt Eugene Holdeman, born November 17, 1920.
3. Robert Earl Holdeman, born December 31, 1921.
4. Ralph M. Holdeman, born February 6, 1923.

Fourth Generation

Floyd Holdeman was married November 17, 1923 to Vera Madlem, born February 24, 1901, daughter of Allen and Dora (Hartman) Madlem.

A son was born:

1. Bruce Arden Holdeman, born August 18, 1924.

Floyd Holdeman was married in 1931 to Aldotta Lung.

Fourth Generation

Lucile Holdeman was married April 23, 1921 to Glade Rohrer, born November 19, 1898, son of Emanuel and Mary (Roose) Rohrer. She was brought up by her uncle and aunt, Henry and Deborah (Holdeman) Wagner, and was later a teacher in the Wakarusa school. Glade Rohrer has been for a number of years a teacher in the Wakarusa High

School. They attended the Indiana State Normal School, and Manchester College, and Glade has the B. A. degree from the latter school. He began his teaching career in 1919 and had taught four years in Harrison Township. He has also been a member of the Elkhart County Council. They live in Wakarusa, Indiana, and are members of the Methodist Church.

Two sons were born to them:

1. Stanley Eugene Rohrer, born January 7, 1930.
2. Brice Barton Rohrer, born April 2, 1932.

Fourth Generation

Esther Leona Holdeman was married July 21, 1934 to Ray Youngblood, born September 29, 1891, son of Henry and Julia (Momany) Youngblood. He is an enamel sprayer and dipper, and was employed eight years by the Sidway-Topliff Co. of Elkhart. He is an Episcopalian. They live at 513 Carlton Avenue, Elkhart, Ind.

They have a daughter:

1. Lois Darlene Youngblood, born June 30, 1935.

Fourth Generation

Ervene Julia Holdeman was married December 21, 1935 to Hugh Lee Johnson, of Flintville, Tennessee, born August 30, 1913 in Lancorn County, Tennessee, son of J. L. and Ova (Bennett), Johnson.

JOSEPH HOLDEMAN FAMILY

Second Generation

JOSEPH HOLDEMAN was married September 24, 1846 to Anna Nusbaum, born February 26, 1830 in Ashland County, Ohio, daughter of Christian and Catherine (Weiss) Nusbaum. * When a young man he decided to engage in public school teaching, the occupation of most of his brothers, and went accordingly to Ashland County, Ohio. While teaching there he stayed at the home of Christian Nusbaum, whose daughter, Anna, was one of the pupils in his school. In October, 1850, four years after their marriage, they moved to Elkhart County, Indiana, and purchased land one mile west of Salem, now Wakarusa, when that region was largely covered with timber. Here he resided until his death, a period of forty-four years. Anna (Nusbaum) Holdeman continued to reside there with her daughter. She possessed a studious disposition, and spent much time in reading. Neatness was one of her characteristics. For more than sixty years she was a member of the Mennonite Church. She died May 5, 1907, aged 77 years, 2 months, and 10 days.

On March 22, 1855 Joseph Holdeman purchased from Edward H. English of Elkhart, Indiana for \$2,400 the east half of the northeast quarter of section thirty-four in township thirty-six (Olive) of Elkhart County, Indiana, and on June 13, 1855 he purchased from George and Sophia T. Beach of Hartford, Connecticut, the northwest quarter and the west half of the northeast quarter of the same section

* Four Nusbaum brothers came to America from near Bern, Switzerland. At least two, Peter and John, and perhaps all four of them came in the year 1818. They settled first in Ohio, but Isaac later removed to Iowa. Peter remained in Ohio, and Christian and John came to Elkhart County, Indiana. John Nusbaum, born January 27, 1801 near Bern, Switzerland, came from Ashland County, Ohio to Clinton Township, Elkhart County, Indiana, September 4, 1860. He had been ordained to the ministry of the Mennonite Church in 1827, during his single days. He died in Clinton Township, April 7, 1876, having been a minister more than forty-five years. Christian Nusbaum came from Ashland County, Ohio to Elkhart County, Indiana. He was born August 5, 1799 near Bern, Switzerland, and died February 8, 1881 at the home of Joseph and Anna (Nusbaum) Holdeman; aged 81 years, 6 months, and 3 days. Catharine (Weiss) Nusbaum was born June 16, 1806 in Baden, Germany, and died August 24, 1883 at the home of Joseph and Anna (Nusbaum) Holdeman. She came with her parents from Germany to America, and according to the prevailing custom of that time, was sold to several years service for her passage.

and township. On July 3, 1855 Joseph Holdeman sold for \$1,000 to Daniel Freed the north half of the northwest quarter of section thirty-four of township thirty-six. This was later known as the Francis Longenecker farm.

Joseph Holdeman was a pioneer in the western part of Elkhart County in affairs agricultural, educational, and religious. He followed the teaching profession nine years, and was known as a strict disciplinarian. At the same time he worked at the carpenter trade during the summer. His major occupation the remaining years of his life was farming. In the organization of the Holdeman Congregation of the Mennonite Church Joseph Holdeman was a leader. Shortly after his arrival from Ohio the first church house was erected under his direction and with the aid of his liberal financial contributions. He was ordained a deacon about 1860, and after the organization of a Sunday school in 1872 served as superintendent. He was well and favorably known in the Mennonite denomination, and at various times and places attended church conferences where his voice was heard and his advice sought on matters of moment in conference deliberations. He was the first secretary of the Mennonite Aid Plan, and carried on a considerable correspondence in this connection.

In religious views Joseph Holdeman was conservative, ever encouraging Christian simplicity and practicing it. He was a man of strong convictions and had the courage to make them known whether others agreed with them or not. He was fearless in his criticism of principles and qualities which he did not like, but somehow was sympathetic and forgiving to the individuals who possessed them. Anyone whom he might have criticised found him ready to make amends and become a friend; however, he never would condone the wrong that he saw. Physically he was strong and well built, and always enjoyed excellent health. Being well-to-do, he was a liberal donor to worthy causes. When the Wakarusa Saw Mill was destroyed by fire he willingly gave one hundred dollars for the construction of a new one. He contributed fairly large amounts of money to the needy Russians during the time of their immigration to Kansas. These are only several instances of his benevolent attitude toward community enterprises. Because of his ready hospitality and prominence among the Mennonites of Elkhart County, Indiana, his home was sought out by

travelling ministers and leaders of other sections. For instance, when Rev. Paul Tschetter, the leading Hutterite delegate in the group of twelve delegates who came to America in 1873 from Russia to investigate conditions preparatory to the Mennonite migration, visited the Mennonites of Elkhart County, he was taken to the Joseph Holdeman home a number of times for dinner and lodging.

When the Herald of Truth was started in January 1864 by John F. Funk, Joseph Holdeman was among the earlier subscribers. He received both the English and the German editions. He was also an occasional contributor, writing usually on matters pertaining to the application and practice of Christian doctrine. He wrote in a plain and vigorous style, and his discussions are frank, pointed, and thought-provoking.

He did considerable traveling, sometimes accompanying ministers to various churches. He made journeys to Michigan, to Ohio, to Canada, to Illinois, several to Kansas, and one to the East. On this latter journey, begun June 4, 1889, he with several other members of his family spent considerable time visiting friends in the vicinity of Harrisonburg, Virginia. This trip also included a visit to Washington, D. C., where Washington's monument, Smith's Museum, the White House, and the various departments of the Capitol were inspected. At this time he called at the White House to present the cause of some of the Mennonites who had suffered losses during the ravaging of the Shenandoah Valley by Sheridan.

Practical understanding, frank expression of views, and generosity in giving were outstanding qualities of Joseph Holdeman. Having been a school teacher, he believed in schools, urged young people to seek the advantages of an education, and assisted his children and grand-children in acquiring one. To the Church and her principles and teachings he always manifested the warmest devotion. He was a bold and active defender of his faith and the Church at all times and under all circumstances, and his place in the church when health permitted was never vacant. He manifested an implicit trust in God. He died on August 19, 1894 as the result of apoplexy accompanied by paralysis, and was buried at the Olive Church on August 22, 1894, where an immense concourse of people had assembled.

The children born to Joseph and Anna (Nusbaum) Holdeman are:

1. Christian N. Holdeman, born September 10, 1847; died February 5, 1911. Aged 63 years, 4 months, 25 days.
2. Amos Holdeman, born October 14, 1848; died June 23, 1852. Aged 3 years, 8 months, 9 days.
3. Lovina Holdeman, born June 19, 1850; died July 4, 1852. Aged 2 years, 15 days.
4. Emeline Holdeman, born May 6, 1852; died May 19, 1853. Aged 1 year, 13 days.
5. Catharine Rebecca Holdeman, born July 30, 1853; died February 19, 1922. Aged 68 years, 6 months, 19 days.
6. Mary Louisa Holdeman, born April 3, 1856; died May 25, 1864. Aged 8 years, 1 month, 22 days.
7. Margaret Holdeman, born August 21, 1858; died December 25, 1933. Aged 75 years, 4 months, 4 days.
8. John Albert Holdeman, born August 30, 1860; died October 13, 1860. Aged 1 month, 13 days.
9. Abraham N. Holdeman, born September 22, 1861; died August 17, 1879. Aged 17 years, 10 months, 25 days.
10. Anna Elizabeth Holdeman, born December 10, 1864.
11. Alice Holdeman, born November 22, 1866; died March 6, 1869. Aged 2 years, 3 months, 14 days.
12. Lucinda Holdeman, born April 2, 1868; died October 4, 1868. Aged 5 months, 2 days.
13. Malinda Holdeman, born April 2, 1868; died October 5, 1868. Aged 5 months, 3 days.
14. Harriet Naomi Holdeman, born February 9, 1871; died January 26, 1872. Aged 11 months, 17 days.
15. Ida Frances Holdeman, born June 29, 1874; died September 22, 1874. Aged 2 months, 23 days.

The above children were all born in Elkhart County, Indiana, excepting the three oldest, who were born in Ashland County, Ohio.

Third Generation

Christian N. Holdeman was married November 19, 1871 to Harriet Gongwer, born December 31, 1846 in Ashland County, Ohio, daughter of Michael and Catherine (Moyer) Gongwer. She died January 2, 1886, aged 39 years, 1 day. Christian N. Holdeman began teaching school when seventeen years of age, and taught in Olive Township, Elkhart County, Indiana, and in Madison Township, St. Joseph

County, Indiana. He then became a farmer, living first where Warren Holdeman now lives, then known as the George Holdeman farm, but later purchased what had been the Christian Nusbaum farm in Baugo Township. This farm was later sold and the farm now owned by John W. Holdeman was purchased.

Christian N. Holdeman was the possessor of friendly qualities, which made him widely acquainted. He was often called on by farmers to clerk sales, and his judgment was accepted as to who was good security; he was also often asked to assist in appraising property. He had skill in treating diseases of animals and did considerable veterinary work. He was from youth a lover of fine horses, particularly carriage horses, and possessed well matched teams. One horse which he owned was later shipped abroad and placed into the royal stables of King Edward of England.

Religious work interested him, and he served as Sunday school superintendent and chorister at both the Holdeman and the Olive congregations of the Mennonite Church. He gave himself liberally to the various activities of his community. Children of Christian N. and Harriet (Gongwer) Holdeman:

1. Anna Catherine Holdeman, born August 16, 1872.
2. Timothy Henry Holdeman, born December 27, 1873; died December 14, 1926. Aged 52 years, 11 months, 17 days.
3. John Wesley Holdeman, born April 5, 1876.
4. Michael Irving Holdeman, born May 5, 1878.
5. Mary Alice Holdeman, born January 16, 1881; died August 12, 1886. Aged 5 years, 6 months, and 4 days.
6. Joseph Lemuel Holdeman, born October 21, 1883.
7. Infant son, born December 30, 1885; died December 31, 1885.

Christian N. Holdeman was married the second time November 24, 1889 to Louisa Seidner, born June 22, 1859 at Macy, Indiana, daughter of Jacob Seidner, Jr., and Elizabeth Anglemeyer.

Children of Christian N. and Louise (Seidner) Holdeman:

1. Albert Franklin Holdeman, born July 31, 1890.
2. Arthur Eugene Holdeman, born October 21, 1892.

3. George Alvin Holdeman, born August 21, 1896; died May 8, 1917. Aged 20 years, 8 months, 17 days.
4. Claude Vernon Holdeman, born August 19, 1900.

Fourth Generation

Anna Catherine Holdeman was married May 16, 1906 to Dr. Samuel T. Miller, born October 24, 1882 at Wayland, Iowa, son of Rev. Stephen and Leah (Wenger) Miller. * They are graduates of Goshen College, and Dr. Samuel T. Miller has served a number of years as President of the Goshen College Alumni Association. Besides being a prominent physician, and for many years Secretary-Treasurer of the Elkhart County Medical Association, he is also President of the First Old State Bank of Elkhart and a trustee of Grace Lutheran Church. The family has traveled abroad and at home. They live at Prairie and Eden, Elkhart, Indiana.

They have one daughter:

1. Harriet Elizabeth Miller, born June 19, 1908.

Fifth Generation

Harriet Elizabeth Miller was married January 5, 1930 to Charles Brookshire Miller, Jr., of Youngstown, Ohio. They are graduates of Oberlin College. They lived in Youngstown, Ohio, where Mr. Miller was an engineer for the Automatic Sprinkler Corporation of America, until 1936, when they moved to Atlanta, Georgia, and when he was appointed superintendent of the southern district of the same company.

Fourth Generation

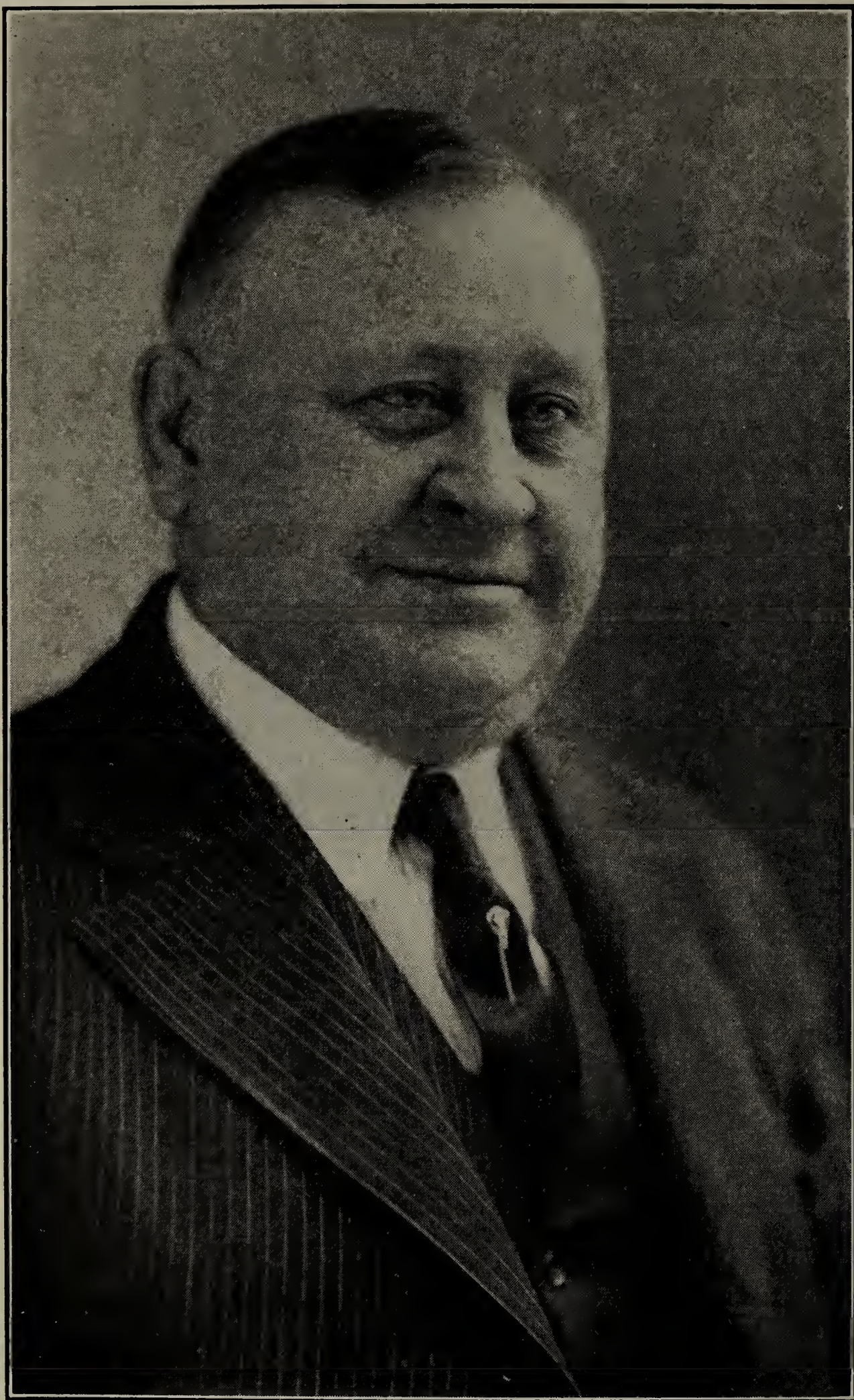
Timothy Henry Holdeman was married March 30, 1895 to Flora E. Cook, born in Penn Township, St. Joseph County, Indiana, daughter of John and Geneva (Tibbitts) Cook. After completing courses in the local public schools he attended Valparaiso Normal School, now Valparaiso University, and at the age of eighteen became a teacher in the public schools of Baugo Township, Elkhart County, Indiana. He taught about ten years and became known as an efficient and popular teacher. He had in the meantime moved to Elkhart, Indiana, where he completed the business course at the Elkhart Institute. Later he taught commercial subjects in the same school, now known as Goshen Col-

* Rev. Miller was a prominent evangelist in Iowa and met death in a railroad wreck on his way to a meeting of the Mennonite Mission Board which he helped to organize.

lege, during the summer of 1898. He soon became affiliated with Wm. Brusman in the coal and building material business, the firm name being Brusman & Holdeman. After the death of William Brusman, Timothy H. Holdeman became head of the firm. At the time of his death he was in the same business in the firm of Holdeman & Son, his son, Lowell, being an associate. He had also developed a branch coal and building material business at Ligonier, Indiana.

During his career of nearly thirty years at Elkhart, Timothy H. Holdeman became a leader in the business, civic and religious affairs of the city. He was a member of the Elkhart Chamber of Commerce, jury commissioner of the Elkhart Superior Court, member of the building committee of the new Y. M. C. A. built in 1925, and vice president and director of the Indiana Builders' Supply Association. He was a member of the board of trustees of the Trinity Methodist Church in Elkhart, chairman of its finance committee, superintendent of its Sunday school, and was a promoter of the addition to the Methodist Church, and a strong factor in its success. He was active in the Elkhart County Council of Religious Education, serving as chairman of its finance committee, and a speaker on its public programs. When the colored people began moving into Elkhart during the World War Timothy H. Holdeman helped take care of the situation which developed. Through being treasurer of the City Brotherhood, who were assisting the Canaan Baptist Church, he became a trustee of that church, and endeared himself to the people and pastor. He was also the local treasurer of the Salvation Army.

In 1924 Timothy H. Holdeman was elected Indiana State Senator on the Republican ticket. In this office he was interested in tax and conservation problems. He introduced a resolution providing for a special commission to investigate tax problems of the state, and was author and proponent of the "playground bill". His death occurred just before the opening of the second session of his four year term. In a resolution passed by the state senate after his death he was referred to as having made a deep impression on that body by his "high service and patriotic devotion to the interests of the state" and as "an able statesman, a congenial colleague, and a faithful servant of the people."



Timothy H. Holdeman

At his funeral services Rev. F. E. Fribley was assisted by Bishop John F. Funk, who had officiated at the funeral services of the father and grandfather of Timothy H. Holdeman. The floral remembrances numbered nearly one hundred and burial took place at Rice Cemetery in Elkhart.

The following editorial, written by Tom H. Keene, appeared in the Elkhart Truth of December 15, 1926.

"The death of Timothy H. Holdeman wrought an emotion akin to poignant personal loss in the breast of every Elkhartan who had ever come in direct contact with him—in church, lodge, business, political activity, or general civic endeavor. And his fellow citizens who knew him less intimately, though understandingly, appreciate his worth and mourn his untimely taking off to a degree that must ever be a consolation and a pride to those who were honored by kinship with a man of such sterling qualities.

"Mr. Holdeman was richly endowed. He possessed elements of leadership in social endeavor and success in business. He took his gifts seriously. Unostentatiously he sought to serve the Providence that had so favored him by serving his fellows to the full of his abilities; by giving them and their interests of his time, his effort and his purse. He did it in an everyday matter of course.

"Elkhart owes much to him—as an exemplar of ideal citizenship."

To Timothy H. and Flora (Cook) Holdeman one son was born:

1. Lowell Ayres Holdeman, born July 25, 1900.

Fifth Generation

Lowell A. Holdeman was married April 19, 1923 to Ruth D. Monger, born April 11, 1897, daughter of Charles L. and Anna (Titus) Monger. She was a teacher in the Elkhart City schools, and is vice-president of the Holdeman Lumber & Supply Corporation. Lowell A. Holdeman attended the Wharton School of Finance, University of Pennsylvania, and became a member of the firm, Holdeman & Son. He is a manufacturer of hardwood lumber, president of the Holdeman Lumber & Supply Corporation, member of the Elkhart Chamber of Commerce, of the Rotary Club, and of the board of trustees of the Trinity Methodist Church. He lives at 1415 Strong Ave., Elkhart.

They have one daughter:

1. Harriet Ann Holdeman, born June 26, 1924.

Fourth Generation

John Wesley Holdeman was married October 10, 1907 to Alice Essig, born November 11, 1880 near Elkhart, Indiana, daughter of Lewis and Mary (Leininger) Essig. She had been a teacher in Elkhart, Indiana, and a student at Northwestern University. John W. Holdeman has spent most of his life in the teaching profession in country, town, and city schools, and has held the position of Principal of the Elkhart High School since 1920. He took his teacher's training course at the Indiana State Normal and later received his A. B. and M. A. degrees at Indiana University. For a period of four years he worked for oil companies, having been nearly three years in Roumania for the Standard Oil Company. He and his family are active in the United Lutheran denomination and he is interested in the Scout and Y. M. C. A. activities of Elkhart. He has been president of the Holdeman Cousins Reunion for a number of years. They live at 701 W. Marion St., Elkhart, Indiana.

Children:

1. Richard Wendell Holdeman, born September 17, 1908.
2. John Theodore Holdeman, born September 21, 1910.
3. Robert Lewis Holdeman, born February 13, 1915.
4. William Dean Holdeman, born August 4, 1916.

Robert Lewis Holdeman graduated in 1937 from the Purdue University School of Agriculture.

William Dean Holdeman is a student at Oberlin College.

Fifth Generation

Dr. Richard Wendell Holdeman was married August 17, 1935 to Dr. Lillian E. Scheib, born November 21, 1910, daughter of Burton W. and Bertha (Van Dyke) Scheib. She is a graduate of Park College, Parksville, Missouri, and the Indiana University School of Medicine, and served her internship at the University Hospital in Indianapolis. He received the B. A. degree from Indiana University and the M. D. degree from the Indiana University School of Medicine, and served his internship in Ellis Hospital, Schenectady, New York. Dr. Richard W. Holdeman and Dr. Lillian Scheib Holdeman opened their offices on August 24, 1935 at 404 North Lafayette Blvd., South Bend, Indiana.

Fifth Generation

John Theodore Holdeman received the LLB degree from Indiana University. In 1932 he began the practice of law in Elkhart, Indiana, with attorneys Church and Chester.

Fourth Generation

Michael Irving Holdeman was married December 25, 1898 to Rhoda Ann Criger, daughter of Charles and Lovina (Stutzman) Criger. She was born February 22, 1878, and died March 8, 1907; aged 29 years, 2 days.

Michael I. Holdeman has been a farmer, auctioneer, and salesman, and has been for some years connected with the firm of Holdeman & Son in Elkhart. He has served as a superintendent of Methodist Sunday schools in Jamestown and Elkhart, and was also one year a public school teacher in Baugo Township.

To Michael I. and Rhoda (Criger) Holdeman were born two daughters:

1. Zola Leona Holdeman, born July 25, 1903.
2. Grace Irene Holdeman, born November 5, 1904.

On October 8, 1910 Michael I. Holdeman married Rosa M. Searer, who was born May 13, 1878, and is a daughter of Jacob and Susan (Good) Searer.

One son was born:

1. Samuel Vance Holdeman, born April 26, 1918.

Fifth Generation

Zola Leona Holdeman was married July 13, 1929 to Harry Stromberg, born November 10, 1905, son of Sven and Victoria (Anderson) Stromberg. He is a mechanical draftsman. She had been a nurse, and received her training at the University of Michigan Hospital, and later was employed at the Osteopathic Hospital in Chicago. They at present live at 242 Washington Ave., Kenmore, New York.

They have two sons:

1. Richard Harry Stromberg, born August 27, 1932.
2. Charles Evans Stromberg, born November 27, 1935.

Fifth Generation

Grace Irene Holdeman was married June 19, 1926 to Albert Gordon Dorrance, born May 3, 1901, son of Clarence and Rosetta (McPherson) Dorrance. He is a civil engineer and their present address is 119 Loma Ave., Syracuse, New York.

They have a daughter:

1. Sylvia Ann Dorrance, born April 19, 1934.

Fourth Generation

Joseph Lemuel Holdeman was married October 19, 1909 to Ada Goldie Baker, born January 5, 1888 in Elkhart County, Indiana, daughter of Daniel R. and Sarah J. (Kulp) Baker. He had been a teacher in the public schools of Elkhart County, Indiana, and later a postal clerk in the Elkhart Post Office. He is at present a member of the firm Holdeman & Son, and has served a number of years as teacher of the Men's Bible Class at the Trinity Methodist Church. They live at 920 Kilbourne Avenue, Elkhart, Indiana.

Children:

1. Nedra Joyce Holdeman, born January 1, 1911.
2. Graydon Eugene Holdeman, born February 17, 1912.

Fifth Generation

Nedra Joyce Holdeman was married February 7, 1937 to Paul D. Arvin, born June 30, 1910 at Cannelburg, Indiana, son of Frank and Clara Margaret (McDonald) Arvin. He is a graduate of DePauw University. Nedra Joyce Holdeman graduated in 1932 from DePauw University, where she had been elected to Phi Beta Kappa, and then was a teacher of Latin and English at the Roosevelt Junior High School in Elkhart. They at present live in Tell City, Indiana, where he is commanding officer of the CCC Camp.

Fifth Generation

Graydon Eugene Holdeman was married December 9, 1934 to Dorothy Maurine Rasp, born August 26, 1912, daughter of Conrad D. and Frances (Goodsbeller) Rasp. She was a student at Manchester College, and has specialized in music. Graydon Eugene Holdeman is a chemical engineer, was graduated from Purdue University in 1934, and has been engaged in research at Purdue for the Continental Steel Corporation. They live at West Lafayette, Indiana.

Fourth Generation

Albert Franklin Holdeman was married June 15, 1917, at Oblong, Illinois to Elcy Russell, born December 17, 1892, at Aurora, Indiana, daughter of William and Harriet (Smith) Russell. He had been a teacher at Oblong, Illinois. They are both graduates of Goshen College, and were in

the book selling business several years at Seattle, Washington. They later removed to Texas, where he was an oil well driller, and is the owner of an eight thousand acre ranch. They live at Del Rio, Texas.

Children:

1. Harriet Louise Holdeman, born September 11, 1918 in Seattle, Washington.
2. Ruth Lucille Holdeman, born October 25, 1920 in Electra, Texas.
3. Harold Weston Holdeman, born November 1, 1922 in Electra, Texas.
4. Nellie Anna Holdeman, born February 3, 1932 in Del Rio, Texas.

Fourth Generation

Arthur Eugene Holdeman was married January 27, 1916 to Helena Coggin, born March 20, 1893 at Reevesby in Lincolnshire, England, daughter of Fred and Christena (Lovie) Coggin. Arthur is a shoe salesman and they live in Elkhart, Indiana.

Children:

1. Margaret Ellen Holdeman, born September 12, 1916.
2. Frederick Holdeman, born February 26, 1918; died July 1, 1921.
3. Edward Holdeman, born June 8, 1922.

Fifth Generation

Margaret Ellen Holdeman was married March 9, 1935 to Theodore David McManus, born January 23, 1911 in Goshen, Indiana, son of Frank James and Etta Viola (Wilson) McManus.

Fourth Generation

George Alvin Holdeman, after securing sufficient training for public school teaching, became a teacher in the schools of South Dakota. During the summer vacation after completing three years of teaching, he assisted in the blasting of rocks, and was accidentally killed.

Fourth Generation

Claude Vernon Holdeman was married April 25, 1928 to Mary Ann Culp, born December 1, 1907, daughter of J. Stanley and Emma (Cripe) Culp. He is a bookkeeper, and lives in Elkhart, Indiana.

Third Generation

Catherine Rebecca Holdeman was married December 19, 1880 to John Good, born in Fairfield County, Ohio, April 24, 1853, son of Daniel and Sarah (Gaster) Good. He came from Ohio to Whitley County, Indiana, from whence he removed to Huntington County, and then to Elkhart County. In 1881 they established their home in St. Joseph County, where they resided on their farm until March 13, 1919, when they removed to a home they had built on the north side of Wakarusa. He was a farmer, but was also a diligent student, and could talk intelligently on many subjects. He served the Holdeman congregation of the Mennonite Church many years as trustee, and was actively engaged in various other church capacities. His death occurred July 4, 1933, at the age of 80 years, 2 months, 10 days. Catherine Rebecca (Holdeman) Good was converted at the age of fourteen. She was generous-hearted, and had artistic ability, as is evident from the painting which she did.

Children:

1. Anna Margaret Good, born January 28, 1882.
2. Joseph Clayton Good, born February 17, 1885.

Fourth Generation

Anna Margaret Good was married December 20, 1903 to William S. Weaver, born January 18, 1881, son of Henry and Amanda (Shaum) Weaver. He is a farmer and dealer in farm implements and fertilizer. They are Mennonites and reside northeast of Wakarusa but their address is Goshen, Indiana.

Children:

1. Catharine Rosine Weaver, born November 3, 1904.
2. Edna Amanda Weaver, born January 19, 1908.
3. Cleo Frances Weaver, born November 12, 1911.
4. Grace Naomi Weaver, born November 12, 1912.
5. Arlene Mae Weaver, born March 8, 1926.
6. Lorene Fae Weaver, born March 8, 1926.

Fifth Generation

Catharine Rosine Weaver was married April 16, 1927 to John Franklin Stealy, born May 9, 1904, son of Oscar and Lucretia (Pletcher) Stealy. He is fireman on the N. Y. C. Railroad, and they live in Elkhart, Indiana.

Children:

1. John William Stealy, born June 27, 1932.
2. Ralph Wayne Stealy, born September 8, 1934.

Fifth Generation

Edna Amanda Weaver was married July 12, 1930 to Maynard Weldy, born August 6, 1905, son of Rev. Silas L. and Nora (Metzler) Weldy. They are engaged in farming the Silas Weldy farm near Wakarusa, Indiana, and are members of the Mennonite Church.

Children:

1. Loren Maynard Weldy, born February 17, 1932.
2. Paul Edward Weldy, born July 19, 1933.
3. Leland Kay Weldy, born November 30, 1935.

Fifth Generation

Cleo Frances Weaver was married June 10, 1934 to Myron D. Weldy, born June 7, 1910, son of Jacob I. and Rhoda (Landis) Weldy. He is a graduate of Manchester College, has taught in the schools of Elkhart County, Indiana, and is at present located in South Bend. They are members of the Mennonite Church.

Fourth Generation

Joseph Clayton Good was married November 7, 1918 to Clarissa Buskirk, born October 31, 1891, daughter of George F. and Ella (Shives) Buskirk. He was a railway mail clerk, then a farmer on the John Good farm near Mitchell, South Dakota, and now resides on a farm which he purchased near Fort Wayne, Indiana. They are members of the United Brethren Church.

Children:

1. Richard Wayne Good, born August 20, 1919.
2. John Russell Good, born September 26, 1922.

Third Generation

Margaret Holdeman was married February 10, 1876 to Cyrus Andrew Flickinger, born August 29, 1853 in Mahoning County, near Youngstown, Ohio, son of Jesse and Anna (Altman) Flickinger. He came to Elkhart County, Indiana in 1864 and before marriage worked on the Joseph Holdeman farm. He was forty-five years a trustee and nearly the same length of time treasurer of the Holdeman Congregation of the Mennonite Church. After the death of Joseph Holdeman, Margaret (Holdeman) Flickinger purchased the home farm, which she owned until her death. She was capable in the management of business and financial affairs, and

contributed generously to needy community causes. Cyrus and Margaret (Holdeman) Flickinger lived on their farm one mile west of Wakarusa nearly all of their married life, and were members of the Mennonite Church.

Children:

1. Anna Lucinda Flickinger, born February 22, 1877.
2. Catharine Verbena Flickinger, born September 5, 1879.
3. Joseph Abraham Flickinger, born March 9, 1885.
4. Alice Levona Flickinger, born September 25, 1899; died September 20, 1901. Aged 1 year, 11 months, 25 days.

Fourth Generation

Anna Lucinda Flickinger was married February 16, 1896 to Ira Norman Brown, born March 22, 1874, son of William and Ann (Bell) Brown. He was a farmer and dealer in farm fertilizer, and had been for a number of years associated with Abner Holdeman in the Holdeman & Brown Horse Sales. They live in Wakarusa and are Mennonites.

Children:

1. Edna Viola Brown, born July 2, 1896.
2. Roscoe Bernard Brown, born July 25, 1898.
3. Joseph Clyde Brown, born October 29, 1901.
4. Milton Theodore Brown, born November 7, 1904.
5. Abner Glenn Brown, born January 27, 1910.
6. Lemuel Franklin Brown, born July 12, 1911.
7. Lowell Cyrus Brown, born April 20, 1914.
8. Ruth Margaret Brown, born May 14, 1917.
9. Walter Leroy Brown, born November 7, 1918.

Fifth Generation

Edna Viola Brown was married January 29, 1927 to Chauncy Hochstetler, born December 15, 1892, son of Samuel S. and Anna (Hostetler) Hochstetler.

Thresher. Nappanee, Indiana. Mennonite.

Fifth Generation

Joseph Clyde Brown was married March 15, 1928 to Nellie Martin, born November 17, 1904 in Elkhart County, Indiana, daughter of Henry and Emma (Davidhizar) Martin.

Farmer. Wakarusa, Indiana. Mennonite.

Children:

1. Maribell Marie Brown, born December 28, 1928.
2. Evelyn Louise Brown, born October 22, 1933.

Fifth Generation

Milton Theodore Brown was married August 16, 1930 to Ethel Klein, daughter of William M. and Elizabeth (Hunsberger) Klein. He is manager of a grain elevator and milling business at Claypool, Indiana. They live in Claypool and are members of the Church of God.

Fifth Generation

Abner Glenn Brown was married December 25, 1935 to Vivian Lucille Weldy, born August 8, 1915 near Wakarusa, Indiana, daughter of Cornelius and Golda Belle (Wenger) Weldy. They live on the Ira N. Brown farm near Wakarusa, Indiana, and are members of the Mennonite Church.

A daughter was born:

1. LaVeda Faye Brown, born February 13, 1937.

Fifth Generation

Lowell Cyrus Brown was married September 6, 1936 to Christena Frances Weaver, born December 4, 1912 in Elkhart County, Indiana, daughter of John and Minnie (Kohli) Weaver. He is at present employed by the Wakarusa Milling Company. They are members of the Mennonite Church.

A son was born:

1. Harry Eugene Brown, born June 10, 1937.

Fifth Generation

Ruth Margaret Brown was married June 20, 1936 to Kenneth Shutts, born July 25, 1908, son of Charles and Clara (Enders) Shutts. They live on the Charles Shutts farm near Wakarusa, Indiana.

Fourth Generation

Catharine Verbena Flickinger was married October 22, 1899 to Menno Wenger Weaver, born November 20, 1870 in Union Township, Elkhart County, Indiana, son of Rev. Christian Zimmerman and Veronica (Wenger) Weaver. Menno W. Weaver was a farmer, and now lives in Wakarusa, Indiana. He has been actively engaged for many years in Sunday school and other church work in the Holdeman congregation of the Mennonite Church.

Children:

1. Edwin Lemuel Weaver, born December 18, 1900.
2. Mahlon Arthur Weaver, born February 18, 1902.

3. Willis Walter Weaver, born January 19, 1908; died September 5, 1920. Aged 12 years, 7 months, 17 days.
4. Harley Clem Weaver, born September 15, 1909.
5. Inez Vera Weaver, born August 29, 1919.

Fifth Generation

Edwin Lemuel Weaver has been a teacher and has taught in Locke Township and Jefferson Township, Elkhart County, Indiana, in Gretna, Manitoba, Canada, and in West Allis, Wisconsin. He holds degrees B. A. (Goshen, 1926) and M. A. (Northwestern, 1930), is a member of the Mennonite Church, and has worked along lines of religious and literary educational work.



Joseph Holdeman Homestead.

Fifth Generation

Mahlon Arthur Weaver was married October 6, 1923 to Della Mae Loucks, born February 15, 1904, daughter of Ezra and Sarah (Dolman) Loucks. She was brought up by her uncle and aunt, Rev. and Mrs. Henry Weldy. Mahlon Arthur Weaver was for a number of years an employee of the firm, Holdeman & Son, Elkhart, Indiana, and now resides on his farm near Wakarusa, Indiana. They are Mennonites.

Children:

1. Mildred Marie Weaver, born August 15, 1924.
2. Gloria Louise Weaver, born September 22, 1929.

Fifth Generation

Harley Clem Weaver was married February 15, 1936 to Romaine Ellen Brumbaugh, born June 22, 1909 in Goshen, Indiana, daughter of Charles and Fannie (Cripe) Brumbaugh. They are engaged in farming the Menno W. Weaver farm southwest of Wakarusa, Indiana.

Fourth Generation

Joseph Abraham Flickinger was married October 27, 1909 to Grace Gertrude Geyer, born March 4, 1887, daughter of Charles and Ida (Strope) Geyer. He taught school several years and has since farmed the original Joseph Holdeman farm, which was owned by Margaret Holdeman Flickinger. On March 16, 1936 he purchased this farm and is its present owner.

Children:

1. Ida Margaret Flickinger, born March 19, 1910.
2. Lloyd Kenneth Flickinger, born August 26, 1912.
3. Charles Cyrus Flickinger, born July 18, 1914.
4. Mabel Fern Flickinger, born November 10, 1916.
5. Leona Frances Flickinger, born November 10, 1918.
6. Marie Maxine Flickinger, born August 2, 1921.
7. Glenn Richard Flickinger, born October 2, 1923.
8. Lucile Regina Flickinger, born March 7, 1928.

Fifth Generation

Ida Margaret Flickinger married Harry Hostetler, born November 10, 1909, son of Walter and Ethel May (Stewart) Hostetler. They live near Wakarusa, Indiana, and are members of the Christian Church.

Children:

1. Dean Edward Hostetler, born September 12, 1929.
2. Gerald Devon Hostetler, born August 13, 1930.
3. Marjorie Fay Hostetler, born March 8, 1932.
4. Russel LaMar Hostetler, born March 28, 1934.
5. Robert Eugene Hostetler, born July 14, 1935.

Fifth Generation

Lloyd Kenneth Flickinger was married January 9, 1935 to Verla Ann Scheiber, born November 23, 1919 in Elkhart County, Indiana, daughter of Frank and Lulu (Culp) Scheiber.

Farmer. Wakarusa, Indiana. Christian Church.

They have a daughter:

1. Nancy Lee Flickinger, born May 20, 1936.

Fifth Generation

Charles Cyrus Flickinger was married March 28, 1937 to Kathryn Weaver, born November 28, 1915, daughter of William and Sadie (Castle) Weaver. They live on the Joseph Flickinger farm near Wakarusa, Indiana.

Third Generation

Anna Elizabeth Holdeman was married May 19, 1888 to Stanford Willard, born November 4, 1858 in Schuylkill County, Pennsylvania, son of Jonathan and Catharine (Schwalm) Willard. At an early age he came with his parents to Elkhart County, Indiana, where he lived nearly all the rest of his life. He received his elementary schooling at the Ehret School in Olive Township, where Samuel W. Holdeman was his first teacher. In 1880 he graduated from the Elkhart County Normal and Classical School at Goshen, and later attended college at Fort Wayne. He had been an ambitious student, and for twenty-five years was a successful teacher. He taught fourteen years in Harrison Township, two in Locke Township, and seven in Olive Township, Elkhart County, and also two years in St. Joseph County. In his last position he was principal of the Wakarusa High School. He was a skilled penman, a lover of music, and was recognized as a man of intellectual ability.

In 1907 he retired as a teacher. He had been giving his attention to bonds, real estate, and insurance, and served also as abstractor and legal adviser. These activities led to a banking career, and on April 1, 1907 he organized The Citizen's Bank of Wakarusa, of which he remained president and cashier until shortly before his death. By means of economy and sound judgment, he became well known in the county as a financier and capitalist, and became one of the largest land owners in the vicinity of Wakarusa. He was ready and qualified to give excellent advice on financial matters to all who confidently sought it from him, and was always especially interested in the success of his former pupils. In addition to other activities Stanford Willard was also a farmer, and had been an advisory editor of *A Standard History of Elkhart County*, published in 1916.

Anna E. (Holdeman) Willard, after completing the elementary grades, attended Valparaiso Normal School, now Valparaiso University. She was granted a teacher's cer-

tificate and began her teaching career in the Holdeman School, which was the same school in which her father had taught in the pioneer days, and which she herself had attended as a grade pupil. She was a teacher in the Elkhart County schools from 1885 to 1895, teaching four years in Harrison Township and six years in Olive Township. She later became assistant cashier, and then cashier of The Citizen's Bank, and since 1918 has had the full responsibility of its management. The Citizen's Bank was well spoken of by banking officials of the state, and under its operation by Anna E. Willard, weathered unscathed the storms of depression when other banks failed. After the bank moratorium of 1933 it was one of the few banks to open on the first day the president allowed any to open. She is said to have been the only woman in the state of Indiana who was sole owner of the bank she operated. She was well known among bankers and served as secretary of the Elkhart County Bankers' Association, and was a member of the executive committee of Group Two of the Indiana Bankers' Association.

After marriage Stanford and Anna E. Willard lived in Wakarusa, Indiana, on West Waterford Street, until 1905, when they moved to their farm one mile east of Wakarusa. After the burning of their home in May, 1924, they purchased the John Good home on the north side of Wakarusa, where Anna E. Willard still resides with her daughter and son-in-law.

To Stanford and Anna E. (Holdeman) Willard one daughter was born:

1. Frances E. Willard, born August 17, 1899.

Fourth Generation

Frances E. Willard was married to Clarence L. Stauffer, son of John P. and Sarah (Eshleman) Stauffer. He attended the School of Agriculture of Purdue University, specializing in poultry husbandry, and was a baby chick expert. Later he became sales manager of the Indianapolis Household Supply Co. In 1922 he organized and for two years managed the Musical Association of Chicago, which prepared students for musical colleges. For a number of years he was a lecturer to real estate organizations, and real estate is one of his present fields of activity.

Frances E. Willard, after attending Goshen College one

year, secured a thorough musical training in Chicago and in South Bend, and became an accomplished musician. She became proficient in piano, violin, piano accordian, cello, clarinet, and saxophone. For five years she studied, chiefly piano, with Professor Elbel of South Bend, and her training in violin was secured from a noted German musician who played for the Emperor of Germany and in the New York City Symphony Orchestra. She had special training in commercial law, which she studied in connection with Notre Dame University, and is at present cashier of The Citizens Bank. This bank, under her management, remains one of the few private banks.

Clarence L. Stauffer and Frances E. Willard helped organize the International Friendship Gardens, which operated in the Chicago Century of Progress, and is now a permanent outdoor garden exposition. They own one hundred acres of gardens at Michigan City, Indiana.

JONAS HOLDEMAN FAMILY

Second Generation

JONAS HOLDEMAN was born in Bucks County, Pennsylvania in 1824, and a year later was brought by his parents to Ohio where he grew to manhood. He came to Elkhart County, Indiana, undoubtedly at the time most of his brothers came, and lived in Olive Township, in the vicinity of Wakarusa, where he was a farm laborer. After the death of his son in a Confederate prison, who, according to a report, died from starvation, Jonas Holdeman entered the war himself. It has been said his indignation was aroused against the South because of the treatment given his son. The records of the War Department show that he was a private in Company C, 42nd Regiment Indiana Volunteer Infantry. He was enrolled and accepted as a substitute for John F. Rohrer, October 21, 1864, at Kendallville, Indiana. Only seven weeks later, December 12, 1864, he died at Chattanooga, Tennessee.

At the time of his death he was forty years of age, and already had grey hair. He was not quite as tall as some of his brothers, his height is given as five feet and four and one-half inches. He was married to Anna

Children:

1. Frederick L. Holdeman.
2. James F. Holdeman, born February 26, 1853; died January 11, 1855.
3. Francis Milton Holdeman, born July 9, 1857; died April 30, 1909.

Third Generation

Frederick L. Holdeman entered the army at LaPorte, Indiana, September 5, 1861. He was a private in Company C, 9th Regiment Indiana Infantry, and was later detached to serve with the 4th Ohio Battery. He was taken prisoner at Knoxville, Tennessee, November 26, 1863, and died in prison at Richmond, Virginia. The War Department has no date of his death. He had been reared in the home of Catherine Holdeman Landis.

Third Generation

Francis M. Holdeman was born in Olive Township, Elkhart County, Indiana. In youth he worked several years for Abraham Holdeman on the farm. He was married to Catherine Ingle, and they lived several years, probably about five, in Kansas, in the vicinity of the David Holdeman people. There several of their children were born. They were later divorced and Francis M. Holdeman was married on January 1, 1902 to Cnythia Messimore, who was born July 3, 1877 in Kosciusko County, Indiana, five miles south of Nappanee. She was the daughter of Hiram and Arminda (Elkins) Messimore. After his second marriage Francis M. Holdeman lived five miles north of, and later in, Goshen, Indiana, and was employed by the Lake Shore Railroad. Shortly before his death he asked Abner Holdeman to settle up his estate. He had been persuaded by land agents to purchase land in New Mexico, and after his death the agents returned all his money except forty dollars for expenses. He was a member of the Christian Church.

To Francis M. Holdeman and Catherine Ingle four children were born:

1. Elmer Ellsworth Holdeman, born August 9, 1880; died June 26, 1882.
2. Bertha Blanche Holdeman, born July 16, 1882; died June 26, 1888.
3. Charles Calvin Holdeman, born November 17, 1884.
4. Harvey Homer Holdeman, born September 9, 1891.

To Francis M. Holdeman and Cynthia Messimore four children were born:

1. Walter Abner Holdeman, born October 6, 1902.
2. Homer Howard Holdeman, born December 8, 1904.
3. Mary May Holdeman, born September 2, 1906; died September 4, 1906.
4. Myrtle Holdeman, born December 23, 1908.

Fourth Generation

Charles Calvin Holdeman was born in Kansas. He was married September 25, 1906 to Mable Basler, born November 30, 1887 in Elkhart, Indiana, daughter of Josiah and Mary (Wood) Basler. After the death of his father, Charles C. Holdeman and wife left Indiana, where he had lived since childhood, and removed to Louisiana. Address unknown.

Fourth Generation

Harvey Homer Holdeman removed from Indiana to Louisiana. Address unknown.

Fourth Generation

Walter Abner Holdeman was married June 3, 1932 to Doris Kaut, born December 12, 1912 at Alice, North Dakota, daughter of Frank and Rose (Bartels) Kaut. He was brought up by Charles Cook, deputy auditor of Elkhart County. He has been a farm laborer and an auto mechanic. He worked for some years on farms in North Dakota, and is at present employed on the Ray Messick farm north of Goshen.

They have a daughter:

1. Roberta Christine Holdeman, born October 8, 1935.

Fourth Generation

Howard Holdeman Brady was adopted by Charles and Molly Brady, who lived at 213 Wilson Avenue, Goshen, Indiana. He was married April 19, 1933 to Esther Hutchinson. He is a book keeper in the offices of the Goshen City Light and Water Works. They live in Goshen, 213 Wilson Avenue.

Fourth Generation

Myrtle Holdeman was married June 29, 1930 to Belmont A. Ott, born February 11, 1909 in Elkhart County, Indiana, son of Alfred and Alice (Chiddister) Ott. They live in Millersburg, Indiana.

They have a daughter:

1. Janis Ott, born June 26, 1935.

DAVID HOLDEMAN FAMILY

Second Generation

DAVID S. HOLDEMAN was married May 20, 1847 to Helena Kime, born October 12, 1829 in Schuylkill County, Pennsylvania, oldest daughter of Conrad and Saloma (Bensinger) Kime. Her original American ancestor named Kime had come as a lad from Ireland with his parents, who died on the long voyage across the Atlantic. When Conrad and Saloma (Bensinger) Kime emigrated from Pennsylvania to Ohio they packed their meager possessions into a push cart. Conrad pushed this cart a distance of four hundred miles while his wife trudged shoulder to shoulder by his side with the six months old baby in her arms. They settled near Cherry Corners, Medina County, Ohio, and this child became the wife of David S. Holdeman, sharing with him the hardships of pioneer life. Helena (Kime) Holdeman was converted in 1860, and joined the Church of which she remained a faithful member to the end. She died July 10, 1917 at the age of 88 years, 8 months, and 28 days. At the time of her death there were over four hundred descendants, including the 127 grandchildren, 257 great grandchildren, and six great great grandchildren.

David S. Holdeman became a teacher in the public schools of Ohio, and later of Indiana. During the winter term of 1848 and 1849 he taught at the old Eight Square school house in Chester Township, Wayne County, Ohio. On November 6, 1849 he purchased from Jonas and Hannah Stering for \$480 the southeast quarter of section twenty-four in township thirty-six. This tract of land is in Olive Township, Elkhart County, Indiana, one mile north and one east of the present town of Wakarusa. In the fall of 1851 he moved from Ohio to Indiana, and cleared away the timber and built a house on his farm; this house was occupied by his family on January 1, 1852, and stood on the southwest corner of the farm. He continued teaching a number of years in the schools of Indiana. Two places where he taught were the Olive Center school two miles north of Wakarusa, and the Shriver school two miles north and two east of Wakarusa.

In the spring of 1856 he returned to Ohio whither his wife and children had gone the preceding autumn. There in Chester Township, Wayne County on October 2, 1858 he purchased from Samuel Myers and others, heirs of Nicholas Stonehill, the north half of the southeast quarter of section nine. On February 3, 1860 David S. Holdeman and wife, Helena, deeded to Isaac Greaser the same piece of land as described. After the sale of this land and in the spring of 1860 the entire family moved back to Indiana, and lived there the next thirteen years.

In 1872 David S. Holdeman and wife took a trip to Kansas to inspect the country and to visit their oldest son, John A. Holdeman, who had moved to that state. Being pleased with conditions there, they had sale on August 29, 1873, and moved to Kansas where father, mother, and children began pioneer life on the wild prairie. They left Indiana September 4, 1873 and arrived at Newton, Kansas on September 7, 1873. They located in Meridian Township, McPherson County, twelve miles from Newton, where they lived until the time of their death. Here David S. Holdeman purchased one-half section (320 acres) in section thirty-five of railroad land from the Atchison-Topeka Railroad. He was the first purchaser of one half section in that township. They built a house on one quarter, started to farm there, and in the first year broke ninety acres of prairie land. There were many hardships to endure, and at first they had only oxen with which to work the land. In 1874 they passed through the grasshopper plague, which all old settlers remember with a shudder.

During the great immigration from Russia, which reached its height in 1874, David Holdeman accomplished a work of considerable importance. The Mennonites in Russia emigrated to America because the Russian government rescinded the law which exempted them from military duty, and required every able-bodied man to serve as a soldier in the army, regardless of his religion. By 1873 the immigration was well under way. Kansas was a state favorable to their settlement, for here vast areas of uninhabited land could be obtained from the government or from railroad companies for a few dollars per acre. During the winter of 1873-74 there had arrived many families which were in great need, having neither money, food, homes, or employment to procure these necessities. On March 22-23, 1874,

a Conference was held at Halstead which took the needs of these people into consideration, and appointed a committee whose duty was to make the necessary arrangements for purchasing the land, dividing it into farms, getting the families settled on them, applying the funds in an economical manner, and giving such aid and counsel as was necessary to get the people started in cultivating the soil and supporting themselves. The committee, known as the Kansas Local Aid Committee, or Kansas Relief Committee, consisted of a president, a secretary, a treasurer, and two business agents. David S. Holdeman was appointed treasurer.

Thousands of dollars were required not only as loans to the Russians for the purchase of the land, but for erecting houses, buying cattle, farm implements, food, etc. The one congregation at Canton alone, which had been brought to Kansas in midwinter, required \$10,000 during the first year, according to the estimate of David S. Holdeman. The office of treasurer was a very important one, and when the holder of this office requested to be relieved as a member of the committee, because he considered it wrong to require interest on money loaned to these poor people, the conference of 1875 declined his request because of the great need of his services. His work, it was said, was very faithfully and efficiently performed.

It was necessary to appeal continually for more funds. This David S. Holdeman did by his numerous letters and articles to the Herald of Truth, then the official church paper of the Mennonites, describing the great need of the immigrants, presenting plans for securing aid, explaining the distribution of relief, and reporting on their progress. He was a conscientious worker, willing to do his duty as long as necessary, and sought continually to work in harmony with the Scriptures. In writing of urgent petitions for help, he says:

"I have not had the courage to refuse those petitions; for I fear, by doing so, I would transgress God's most holy command, 'Love thy neighbor as thyself.' To those of us who know nothing of want in comparison to these poor people, how necessary is it to take heed of God's word.

"We know not what God has appointed for our lot. We might soon be placed in a worse condition than they are, for we cannot boast of our actions and deeds, and it is only God's mercy that has spared us; but how long he will ex-

tend his mercies is unknown to us; but this we know, if we should escape God's chastisements on earth, we can not escape a just Judge who will reward us according to the deeds done in the body."

On May 16, 1876 the work of the Kansas Relief Committee was completed, and the committee discharged. Interest in the Russians continued, however, and in 1876 when members of the Canton Church wished to erect a building to serve as a meeting-house and as a school-house David S. Holdeman again appealed for financial assistance, pointing out that many of the children have no schooling and can neither read nor write. He was interested in the education of the people as well as in their material welfare.



David Holdeman Homestead in McPherson County, Kansas

David S. Holdeman became a large land owner in Kansas. In addition to the first half section, he bought another quarter section in McPherson County, and several quarter section tracts in Harvey County. He was a skillful stockman and veterinarian, and was often called upon, both in Indiana and Kansas, to treat diseases of farm animals. After moving to the latter state he specialized in veterinary work.

The Holdemans in Kansas, including the sons of David, established a reputation for skill with stock, and also for honesty. People had confidence in them, and believed they told the truth. Levi had practiced veterinary, and when he

moved to Michigan, Jonas took it up; after the death of Jonas, Frank was urged to serve the community in this work.

David S. Holdeman was a faithful member of the Church of God in Christ, Mennonite, was prominent in the church affairs of the community, and exhorted quite frequently. His Christian life was lived in a conscientious manner. He was liberal in giving, and used much of his own money in aiding the Russian immigrants.

The children born to David S. and Helena (Kime) Holdeman are:

1. John A. Holdeman, born February 6, 1848; died January 16, 1918. Aged 70 years, 10 days.
2. Catharine Holdeman, born April 7, 1849; died September 22, 1909. Aged 60 years, 5 months, 15 days.
3. Mary E. Holdeman, born September 3, 1850; died May 29, 1931. Aged 80 years, 8 months, 26 days.
4. William F. Holdeman, born January 3, 1852; died September 16, 1934. Aged 82 years, 8 months, 13 days.
5. Amos Holdeman, born May 13, 1853; died May 17, 1854. Aged 1 year, 4 days.
6. Levi Holdeman, born March 25, 1855.
7. Sarah Holdeman, born May 2, 1856; died July 11, 1916. Aged 60 years, 2 months, 9 days.
8. Samuel K. Holdeman, born April 7, 1858; died April 28, 1936. Aged 78 years, 21 days.
9. Saloma Holdeman, born July 24, 1859.
10. Daniel B. Holdeman, born October 15, 1860; died September 18, 1934. Aged 73 years, 11 months, 3 days.
11. Conrad Holdeman, born December 21, 1861.
12. Ezra Holdeman, born June 1, 1863; died October 11, 1863. Aged 4 months, 10 days.
13. Anna Holdeman, born June 24, 1864.
14. Susannah Holdeman, born October 30, 1865.
15. Jonas Holdeman, born December 16, 1867; died August 25, 1929. Aged 61 years, 8 months, 9 days.
16. Isaiah Holdeman, born February 29, 1872; died August 9, 1872. Aged 5 months, 10 days.
17. Frank Holdeman, born July 11, 1874.

John, Catherine, Mary, Sarah, Samuel, and Saloma were born in Chester Township, Wayne County, Ohio; William, Amos, Levi, Daniel, Conrad, Ezra, Anna, Susanna,

Jonas, and Isaiah were born in Olive Township, Elkhart County, Indiana; Frank was born in Meridian Township, McPherson County, Kansas.

Third Generation

John A. Holdeman was married September 20, 1868 to Anna Kilmer, daughter of Michael and Catharine (Pletcher) Kilmer. She was born April 22, 1849 in Crawford County, near Galion, Ohio, and died July 26, 1928. Several years after their marriage in Elkhart County, Indiana, they moved to McPherson County, Kansas, where they were pioneers. On March 3, 1882 John A. Holdeman was ordained a minister of the Gospel in the Church of God in Christ, Mennonite. Several years later they moved as pioneers to Chase County, Kansas, with the hope of organizing a church. He preached for different denominations but later moved to the congregation near Hesston where he served as pastor. He preached in both the German and English languages. He had also been a farmer.

Children:

1. Saloma A. Holdeman, born September 17, 1869 in Elkhart County, Indiana; died March 31, 1892. Aged 22 years, 6 months, 14 days.
2. Fanny Holdeman, born August 23, 1874 in McPherson County, Kansas.
3. Amos K. Holdeman, born May 15, 1877 in McPherson County, Kansas.
4. Laura Holdeman, born July 3, 1879 in McPherson County, Kansas; died July 13, 1880.
5. Reuben K. Holdeman, born October 9, 1880 in McPherson County, Kansas.
6. Anna Holdeman, born February 9, 1883, in McPherson County, Kansas.
7. Cora Margaret Holdeman, born May 25, 1885 in McPherson County, Kansas.
8. David K. Holdeman, born January 22, 1888 in Chase County, Kansas.
9. Katherine Holdeman, born January 21, 1891 in Chase County, Kansas.

Fourth Generation

Saloma A. Holdeman was married in October, 1889, to Theodore Blosser, born September 20, 1865, son of Abraham M. and Mary (Grabill) Blosser. They lived in Chase

County, Kansas, when on the night of March 31, 1892, they were all killed during a cyclone passing through that section of country.

Theodore, the father, aged 26 years, 6 months, 11 days.

Salome, the mother, aged 22 years, 6 months, 14 days.

Conrad, the only child, aged 1 year, 5 months, 24 days.

They were members of the Church of God in Christ, Mennonite.

Fourth Generation

Fanny Holdeman was married November 4, 1914 to Alpha Leatherman, born in Medina County, Ohio, son of Jacob O. and Christena (Hauenstein) Leatherman. (Marriage date October 4, 1914 was also given.) They lived on a farm near Moundridge, Kansas. She was converted at the age of seventeen and united with the Church of God in Christ, Mennonite. She had a special conviction that she was called to care for the unfortunate; under this conviction she took four children to rear and endeavored to rear them to the best of her ability, and in the fear and admonition of the Lord. Her life was spent in sacrifice and devoted service to those who had the privilege of getting in contact with her pleasing personality.

Children adopted before marriage:

1. Richard John Holdeman, born March 14, 1909.
2. Eunice Marie Holdeman, born February 5, 1913.

Children adopted after marriage.

1. Jacob Foster Leatherman, born November 30, 1915.
2. Phoebe Ruth Leatherman, born February 3, 1920.

Fifth Generation

Richard John Holdeman was married July 3, 1933 to Nellie Kitterman, born July 8, 1915, at Hermon, Minnesota, daughter of William and Ella (Knox) Kitterman. He is a barber and they live in Durham, Kansas.

Fifth Generation

Eunice Marie Holdeman was married May 29, 1930 to Maurice Cummings, born February 26, 1910, near Hesston, Kansas, son of William and Marie (Billau) Cummings. They live on a farm near Hesston, Kansas, and are members of the Methodist Church.

Children:

1. Richard Dean Cummings, born April 1, 1931.
2. Lloyd Wayne Cummings, born March 19, 1934.
3. Donald Eugene Cummings, born November 17, 1935.

Fourth Generation

Amos K. Holdeman was married May 6, 1905 to Margaret Jantz, born November 23, 1886, daughter of Jacob and Susanna (Redger) Jantz.

Carpenter. Crawley, Louisiana. Latter Day Saint.

Children:

1. Susanna Jane Holdeman, born December 20, 1906.
2. Mildred Anna Holdeman, born September 16, 1908.
3. Foster Halley Holdeman, born May 11, 1910.
4. Henry Jacob Holdeman, born December 1, 1911; died June 4, 1931. Aged 19 years, 6 months, 3 days.
5. Jonas Tillman Holdeman, born January 11, 1913.
6. Harold Irving Holdeman, born August 8, 1915.
7. Arthur Louis Holdeman, born May 9, 1917.
8. Edith Beatrice Holdeman, born July 22, 1920.
9. Quintin Lee Holdeman, born November 12, 1921.
10. Grace Elaine Holdeman, born September 5, 1924.
11. Lester Amos Holdeman, born December 8, 1925; died July 21, 1926. Aged 7 months, 13 days.

Fifth Generation

Mildred Anna Holdeman was married August 13, 1932 to Fred Hugo Bernard Gustafson. They live in New Orleans, Louisiana. He is the First Officer of the S. S. Munplace of the Munson Steamship Lines.

Fifth Generation

Foster Halley Holdeman was married June 15, 1935 to Nellie Mae Rushing, born November 3, 1915, daughter of P. M. and Lois (Horn) Rushing. He is assistant County Agent of Franklin Parish, Winnsboro, Louisiana. They live in Winnsboro.

Fifth Generation

Jonas Tillman Holdeman was married August 25, 1934 to Dorris Christine Norton, daughter of Edward William and Janie Edith (Thatch) Norton. He is Process Engineer of the Baton Rouge Refinery of the Standard Oil Co. of Louisiana. They live at 2703 Scenic Highway, Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

To them was born:

1. Charles Larry Holdeman, born November 9, 1935; died November 9, 1935.

Fourth Generation

Reuben K. Holdeman was married December 18, 1907 in

Cottonwood Falls, Kansas to Anna Emma Augusta Ludwig, born October 27, 1889 at Alma, Kansas, in Wabounsee County.

Farmer. Emporia, Kansas.

Children:

1. Ralph K. Holdeman, born May 10, 1909 in Chase County, Kansas.
2. Opal Alvina Holdeman, born December 3, 1911 in Harvey County, Kansas.
3. Charles Herman Holdeman, born January 28, 1915 in Chase County, Kansas.
4. Arthur Samuel Holdeman, born September 14, 1920 in Chase County, Kansas.
5. John Allen Holdeman, born August 20, 1923 in Chase County, Kansas.
6. Margaret Betty Holdeman, born February 18, 1927 in Chase County, Kansas.

Fifth Generation

Opal Alvina Holdeman was married February 5, 1934 in Wichita, Kansas to Paul Koegeboehn, born December 1, 1907 in Chase County, Kansas, son of John Louis and Emma Clara (Weichold) Koegeboehn. They are engaged in farming and stock raising.

To them was born:

1. Beverly Ann Koegeboehn, born December 18, 1934.

Fifth Generation

Charles Herman Holdeman was married April 12, 1936 to Clara Lee Jackson, born April 28, 1917 at Elmdale, Kansas, daughter of Ernest Elmer and Edna (Doane) Jackson.

Fourth Generation

Anna Holdeman was married February 16, 1910 to Mahlon George Bare, son of Benjamin and Magdalena (Good) Bare. He was born in Marion County, Kansas, March 27, 1873, and is a grandson of Rev. Christian Bare, a Mennonite minister at Yellow Creek Church, Elkhart County, Indiana.

Farmer. Adair, Oklahoma. Mennonite.

Children:

1. Reuben Joseph Bare, born November 21, 1910; died December 2, 1910. Aged 11 days.
2. Ray H. Bare, born January 15, 1912; died February 5, 1912. Aged 20 days.

3. Martha Saloma Bare, born March 6, 1913.
4. Richard Clayton Bare, born May 21, 1914.
5. Melvin George Bare, born August 23, 1915.
6. John Leslie Bare, born December 3, 1916.
7. Benjamin Lester Bare, born March 11, 1919.
8. Edwin Willard Bare, born June 6, 1920; died July 7, 1920. Aged 31 days.
9. Edith Rebecca Bare, born June 6, 1920; died 6 hours after birth.
10. Kathryn Elizabeth Bare, born September 6, 1921.
11. Tillman Lawrence Bare, born December 15, 1923.
12. Harry Titus Bare, born September 30, 1925.

Fourth Generation

Cora Margaret Holdeman was married August 13, 1885 to James O. Billups, born August 13, 1885 in West Virginia. They live in Englewood, California, 119 North Cedar Avenue, and are members of The Church of Christ.

Children:

1. Ruth F. Billups, born April 28, 1907 in Newton, Kansas.
2. Delbert R. Billups, born June 26, 1909 in Cedar Point, Kansas.
3. James O. Billups, Jr., born July 5, 1913 in Moundridge, Kansas.
4. Dorothy M. Billups, born March 22, 1918 in Los Angeles, California.

Fifth Generation

Ruth F. Billups was married September 2, 1926 to Wallace W. Waterworth, born December 29, 1900 in Everett, Washington.

To them was born:

1. Rodger G. Waterworth, born December 11, 1930 in Englewood, California.

Fourth Generation

David K. Holdeman was married December 30, 1908 to Kittie Ann Spitler, born June 16, 1888 in Kingspoint, Dade County, Missouri, daughter of Noah and Elizabeth (Honn) Spittler.

Farmer. Sparks, Nebraska. Baptist.

Children, born at Homestead, Kansas:

1. Ethel Frances Holdeman, born October 7, 1909.
2. Loyd Marion Holdeman, born January 3, 1912.

3. Orpha Isabel Holdeman, born July 8, 1916.
4. Loren Grover Holdeman, April 14, 1919; died by accident June 13, 1933. Aged 14 years, 1 month, 29 days.

Fifth Generation

Ethel Frances Holdeman was married March 20, 1928 to Floyd Lester Clark, born March 25, 1910 in Centerville, Iowa, son of Ottie and Ida (Drumwright) Clark.

Farmer. Meadville, Nebraska.

Children:

1. Elden Maurice Clark, born March 7, 1930.
2. Marvin Floyd Clark, born May 5, 1932.

Fifth Generation

Loyd Marion Holdeman was married December 8, 1934 to Fay Prichett, born October 1, 1915 at Eldorado, Kansas, daughter of Harry Benjamin and Shara Leta (Pyle) Prichett. They live at Matsfield Green, Kansas.

Fifth Generation

Orpha Isabell Holdeman was married March 2, 1936 to Ollie Newland, born April 21, 1915, son of Harvey and Francis (Koplin) Newland.

Farmer. Sparks, Nebraska.

Fourth Generation

Katherine Holdeman was married December 24, 1916 to Jonas Ratzloff, born May 16, 1894, son of Henry J. and Katherine (Boese) Ratzloff.

Farmer. Canton, Kansas. Church of God in Christ, Mennonite.

Children:

1. John Adin Ratzloff, born September 12, 1917; died September 14, 1917.
2. Myrtle Anna Ratzloff, born February 5, 1919.
3. Rolan David Ratzloff, born April 25, 1920.
4. Thomas Cecil Ratzloff, born February 7, 1923.
5. Jacob Eugene Ratzloff, born December 6, 1924.
6. Marjorie Ruth Ratzloff, born March 21, 1927.
7. Menford Willis Ratzloff, born April 22, 1929.

Third Generation

Catharine Holdeman was married September 25, 1865 to Peter Culp, son of John and Christena (Bare) Culp. Peter Culp was born near Foraker, Elkhart County, Indiana, January 20, 1841, and died June 30, 1900; aged 59 years, 5 months, 10 days. They lived on a forty-acre farm

one mile south of Wakarusa and later traded this on eighty acres in McPherson County, Meridian Township, Kansas, although they never removed to the latter place. The Kansas farm was later sold and in April, 1880, they moved to Garrett County, Maryland, near Oakland, the county seat, where they owned their own home. Catherine (Holdeman) Culp died at the home of her daughter, Elizabeth, in Worcester County, Maryland, and was buried in the Cakesbury Cemetery, Somerset County, Maryland.

She had been affiliated with the Church of God in Christ, Mennonite, but was later a member of the Mennonite Church.

Children:

1. Ira Culp, born October 17, 1866.
2. Anna Culp, born November 9, 1867.
3. William Culp, born February 14, 1870; died June 15, 1924. Aged 54 years, 4 months, 1 day.
4. Helena Culp, born April 9, 1872; died early.
5. John Culp, born December 30, 1874.
6. Abner Culp, born September 16, 1876.
7. Elizabeth Culp, born September 16, 1876.
8. Nora Culp, born September 25, 1880.
9. Ellen Culp, born September 12, 1882, died April 30, 1924. Aged 41 years, 7 months, 18 days.

Fourth Generation

Ira Culp was married April 22, 1893 to Valeria Bane, born December 13, 1873, at Loartown, Allegany County, Maryland, daughter of Holland and Rebecca (Loar) Bane. He was for nineteen years a teacher, having begun to teach in 1887 in a log schoolhouse, called Little Africa, in Garrett County, Maryland where the Culp family lived. While teaching he studied law in Maryland and Kansas, and was admitted to the bar, but only practiced little more than a year, after which he again continued teaching.

In 1903 Ira Culp and wife joined the Church of the Brethren, and in this Church he became a minister. He had been a believer in Christian communism, and in 1905 joined the Socialist party, in which party he was in 1906 a candidate for Congress, and in 1907 the candidate for governor of the state of Maryland. As candidate for governor he polled the largest Socialist vote ever polled in Maryland. In 1934 he was a Christian Communist candidate for the

Governor of Ohio. He had left the Socialist party in 1912, and was in that year a speaker in West Virginia and Oklahoma for the Theodore Roosevelt ticket.

At present Ira Culp is a member of the Euclid Avenue Baptist Church of Cleveland, and occasionally preaches and lectures. He has also been employed in preparing an exposition of the Bible, one which he claims to be new and original. His present address is 1259 East 89th St., Cleveland, Ohio.

Children:

1. Ira Culp, born March 29, 1894 in Garrett County, Maryland.
2. Ingersolia Rena Culp, born September 14, 1896 in McLain, Kansas.
3. Arletta Culp, born March 19, 1898 in Kay County, Oklahoma.
4. Addie Bruna Culp, born February 27, 1900 in Garrett County, Maryland.
5. Paine Jefferson Culp, born February 23, 1902 in Garrett County, Maryland.
6. Grace Miriam Culp, born January 17, 1904 in Friendsville, Garrett County, Maryland.
7. Valeria Mae Culp, born May 15, 1907 in Allegany County, Maryland.
8. John Julian Culp, born April 2, 1909 in Allegany County, Maryland.
9. Erma Vivian Culp, born January 15, 1911 at Peking, Allegany County, Maryland.
10. Infant, stillborn January 16, 1913 in Henry, West Virginia.
11. Infant, stillborn February 12, 1915 in Henry, West Virginia.

Fifth Generation

Ira Culp, Jr., was married November 2, 1916 to Jessie Bowman, born March 1, 1897 at Fairmont, West Virginia, daughter of William and Martha (Morris) Bowman. He had taken a short course in mining engineering at the University of West Virginia, and is a mine superintendent. They live at Little Falls, West Virginia.

Children:

1. Jessie Evelyn Culp, born September 26, 1917, at Baxter, West Virginia.

2. Valerian Ira Lester Culp, born December 13, 1918 at Grant Town, West Virginia.
3. Vivian Lorraine Culp, born July 4, 1920 at Baxter, West Virginia.
4. Arletta Kathryn Culp, born January 29, 1922 at Shinston, West Virginia.
5. Ralph Edward Culp, born September 21, 1925 at Kemp-ton, Maryland.
6. Charles Robert Culp, born July 12, 1927 at Keystone, West Virginia.

Sixth Generation

Jessie Evelyn Culp was married September 30, 1933 to Walter Bowman, born October 26, 1912 at Hault, West Virginia, son of James D. and Nina May (McElfresh) Bowman.

Advertising solicitor. Hault, West Virginia.

Children:

1. Roger Lane Bowman, born November 18, 1934 at Hault, West Virginia.
2. Walter Howard Bowman, born April 16, 1936 at Mt. Pisgah, West Virginia.

Fifth Generation

Ingersolia Rena Culp was married in 1924 to Alex. George, a Macedonia Bulgarian.

Ingersolia Rena Culp was married the second time in 1936 to George Law. They live at 1261 E. 89th St., Cleveland, Ohio.

Fifth Generation

Arletta Culp was married in 1916 to Clyde O'Neal House, son of Samuel and Rhoda (Darnell) House. He enlisted in the World War, and was a soldier in France.

One son was born:

1. Edward House, born July 3, 1916.

Edward House was reared by his grandparents, Ira and Valeria (Bane) Culp.

Arletta Culp was married September 6, 1921 to David Wilt, born January 1, 1876 in Garrett County, Maryland, son of Christopher and Carolyn (McFadden) Wilt.

Woodsman. Bayard, West Virginia. Seventh Day Adventist.

Children, born at Henry, West Virginia:

1. David Albert Wilt, born May 15, 1922.

2. William Rupert Wilt, born November 4, 1923.
3. Lawrence Wesley Wilt, born September 21, 1924 (at Kempton, West Virginia).
4. Audrey Carolyn Wilt, born August 22, 1926.
5. John Raymond Wilt, born May 6, 1930; died November 5, 1930.
6. Donald Robert Wilt, born August 4, 1931.
7. Evelyn Marie Wilt, born May 27, 1933.
8. Frank Joseph Wilt, born October 27, 1934.

Fifth Generation

Addie Bruna Culp was married September 2, 1916 to Edwin Childs, born December 20, 1895, son of Franklin and Virginia (Leach) Childs.

Children:

1. Infant, died three days after birth.
2. Edna Childs, born January 11, 1919 in Henry, West Virginia.

Addie Bruna Culp was married the second time to Ernest Mason Carlisle. He is a painter and paperhanger. Their address is 2132 East 32nd St., Cleveland, Ohio.

Sixth Generation

Edna Childs was married September 3, 1933 to Forrest Lee Jacobs, born in Garrett County, Maryland, son of Alva and Bertha (Green) Jacobs.

Children:

1. Sondra Lee Jacobs, born October 24, 1934.
2. Forest Mason Jacobs, born May 7, 1937.

Fifth Generation

Paine Jefferson Culp was married in 1926 to Evelyn Weimer, born January 11, 1907, son of Edward and (Chaney) Weimer. He is a painter, paperhanger, carpenter and automobile mechanic. Their address is 2132 E. 32nd St., Cleveland, Ohio.

Children:

1. Paine Stalin Culp, born August 13, 1930 in Garrett County, Maryland.
2. Valerian Culp, born February 14, 1937 in Cleveland, Ohio.

Two children died in infancy.

Fifth Generation

Grace Miriam Culp was married in 193.. to Floyd C. Brinkham, born in 1898 in Allegany County, Maryland, son

of Henry and Ellen (Seaton) Brinkham. Their address is 2132 E. 32nd St., Cleveland, Ohio.

Fifth Generation

Valeria Mae Culp was married May 16, 1923 to Clinton Custer, son of Charles and Mary (Clark) Custer.

Children, born in Garrett County, Maryland.

1. Clinton Custer, born April 19, 1924.
2. Reba Custer, born February 13, 1926.

Valeria Mae Culp was married the second time in 1933 to Manuel Garcia Garcia, born May 15, 1903 in Spain, son of Manuel Garcia Perez and Incarnacion Garcia Fernandez. He is a steel worker.

Fifth Generation

John Julian Culp was married in 1929 to Esther Wright, born in Virginia, daughter of Robert Wright. She was a teacher, and a graduate of the Shennandoah Normal College. He is a baker.

Children, born in Virginia:

1. Ida Valeria Culp, born January 8, 1931.
2. John Julian Culp.

Fifth Generation

Erma Vivian Culp was married in 1928 to Julian Quesada, born in 1898 in Argentina, son of and Mary Gonzales Quesada. He is of Indian and Spanish extraction. He was a soldier in the World War, and was wounded in action. He is a hotel worker. They live in Cleveland, Ohio.

Children:

1. Donald Quesada, born February 7, 1929 in Flushing, Ohio.
 2. Wayne Lenin Quesada, born January 3, 1930 in Garrett County, Maryland.
 3. Valeria Marie Quesada, born May 18, 1931 in Cleveland, Ohio.
 4. Julian Quesada, born August 24, 1933 in Garrett County, Maryland.
 5. Ernestine Quesada, born December 2, 1934 in Cleveland, Ohio.
 6. Catharine Vivian Quesada, born April 7, 1936 in Cleveland, Ohio.
 7. Ira Quesada, born April 24, 1937.
- One child died in infancy.

Fourth Generation

Anna Culp was married May 24, 1888 to Kimble P. Gibbs, born December 7, 1859 in Monroe County, Indiana, son of Simon Peter Gibbs (born in South Carolina) and Samantha Scott (born in Tennessee). They live in Maryland, although their address is Gormaniana, West Virginia. In 1893 they purchased twenty acres of the Peter Culp farm, and have lived there ever since. Kimble P. Gibbs worked in a saw mill for twenty-nine years. He died March 28, 1937. They were members of the Methodist Church.

Children:

1. Eunice Viola Gibbs, born May 11, 1887.
2. C. Robert Gibbs, born October 18, 1889.
3. J. Ozark Gibbs, born October 25, 1891; died February 4, 1892.
4. Roy Gibbs, born June 7, 1893.
5. James Herschel Gibbs, born March 10, 1895.
6. Nora Ellen Gibbs, born March 26, 1897.
7. S. Paul Gibbs, born August 18, 1899; died April 25, 1920. Aged 20 years, 8 months, 7 days.
8. Leonard Theodore Gibbs, born March 2, 1901; died October 18, 1930. Aged 29 years, 7 months, 16 days.
9. Bernice Edrie Gibbs, born January 24, 1905.
10. Arthur Raymond Gibbs, born December 13, 1906.

Fifth Generation

Eunice Viola Gibbs was married October 3, 1910 to Clarence Cheneoweth, son of Christopher Columbus and Lulu (Shuttlesworth) Cheneoweth. He was born July 20, 1889, and died July 11, 1933; aged 43 years, 11 months, 21 days. They lived in Morgantown, West Virginia, and Eunice Gibbs Cheneoweth still lives there at 713 Park Street. He was a mine foreman, and they were members of the Christian Church.

Children:

1. Christopher Carrol Cheneoweth, born June 1, 1911.
2. Robert Vernon Cheneoweth, born February 11, 1913.
3. Marian Cheneoweth, born May 8, 1915.
4. Richard Cheneoweth, born May 20, 1917; died November 12, 1919.
5. William Gilbert Cheneoweth, born September 15, 1920.
6. Francis Cheneoweth, born September 20, 1923.

Sixth Generation

Christopher Carrol Cheneoweth was married September 10, 1930 to Opal Hunt, born November 2, 1911, daughter of Okey and Fay (McCrobie) Hunt. He is a glass worker, and they live at 713 Gordon Street, Morgantown, West Virginia.

Children:

1. Carson C. Cheneoweth, born June 28, 1931.
2. Robert Allen Cheneoweth, born December 3, 1933.

Sixth Generation

Robert Vernon Cheneoweth was married April 12, 1934 to Lovenia Hartley, born August 14, 1913, daughter of Guy and Laura (Peters) Hartley. He is a glass worker, and their address is 713 Gordon Street, Morgantown, West Virginia.

Sixth Generation

Marian Cheneoweth was married September 1, 1932 to William Bartell Biser, son of Daniel and Florence (Shultz) Biser. He is a carpenter.

They have a daughter:

1. Billie Carol Biser, born June 2, 1933.

Fifth Generation

C. Robert Gibbs was married July 22, 1914 to Arvilla Wilkins, born in Hardy County, West Virginia, daughter of Louis and Martha (Fitzwater) Wilkins.

Mine foreman. Albert, West Virginia.

Children:

1. Viola E. Gibbs, born April 4, 1915.
2. Martha C. Gibbs, born October 12, 1916.
3. Nelda M. Gibbs, born April 28, 1921.
4. Louise A. Gibbs, born March 23, 1926.
5. Marlene R. Gibbs, born February 9, 1931.

Sixth Generation

Martha C. Gibbs was married June 12, 1935 to James Ford, born in Davis, West Virginia, son of George and Lucy (Pace) Ford. He is a miner.

Fifth Generation

Roy Gibbs was married June 13, 1915 to Ethel May Baer, born in 1894 at Dobbin, West Virginia, daughter of Harry and Almeda (Blamble) Baer. He is head carpenter for the Davis Coal Co. of Kempton, West Virginia.

Children:

1. Charles W. Gibbs, born May 6, 1916; died February 14, 1919.
2. Pauline V. Gibbs, born July 8, 1918.
3. James O. Gibbs, born November 10, 1922.
4. Dolores A. Gibbs, born March 3, 1930.

Sixth Generation

Pauline V. Gibbs was married August 12, 1935 to Harry Buckley, born at Davis, West Virginia, son of Harry Buckley.

Fifth Generation

James Herschel Gibbs was married July 20, 1921 to Mollie May Poliny, daughter of John and Minnie (Cline) Poliny. They live in Detroit, Michigan, where he is employed by the Ford Motor Co.

To them was born:

1. Dayton Gibbs, born August 28, 1922.

Fifth Generation

Nora Ellen Gibbs was married June 7, 1914 to Floyd Spiker, born at Bayard, West Virginia, son of John and Francela (Rexroad) Spiker. He is employed at the salt mine near Detroit, Michigan, and their address is 362 South Dumfries Street, Detroit, Michigan.

Children:

1. Mildred Glendora Spiker, born July 8, 1915.
2. Evelyn Geraldine Spiker, born October 14, 1916.
3. Orville Dale Spiker, born October 24, 1918.
4. Vera Eleanor Spiker, born September 17, 1920.
5. Edra Marie Spiker, born May 12, 1922.
6. Betty Jene Spiker, born November 17, 1923.
7. Anna Frances Spiker, born July 18, 1925.

Sixth Generation

Evelyn Spiker was married February 11, 1932 to Joseph Fisher, born September 4, 1914 at Hazelton, Pa., son of Joseph and Amelia (Boyer) Fisher. He is a job setter at the Federal Screw Works, Detroit, and their address is 588 South Dumfries St., Detroit, Michigan.

Children:

1. Joseph Donald Fisher, born July 23, 1933.
2. Mildred Joyce Fisher, born February 1, 1935.

Fifth Generation

S. Paul Gibbs served eighteen months as a soldier in

the World War. He enlisted October 25, 1917, went to France in May, 1918, and returned the last of May 1919, to America, having served eleven months in France.

Fifth Generation

Leonard Theodore Gibbs was married January 1, 1924 to Zona Whitmore. She was born in September, 1904, and died October 1, 1924. Leonard Theodore Gibbs had been employed in a salt mine, and was killed in an automobile accident, October 18, 1930. One child was born:

1. Infant, born October 1, 1924; died October 1, 1924.

Fifth Generation

Bernice Edrie Gibbs was married February 23, 1923 to Elmer Snyder.

One son was born:

1. Paul Francis Snyder, born February 13, 1924.

Bernice Edrie Gibbs was married the second time May 12, 1928 to Paul Kitmiller, born in Maryland, (P. O. Wilson, West Virginia), son of Otis and Ella (Brinegar) Kitmiller. He is a miner, and they live in Pierce, West Virginia.

Children:

1. Naomi Fay Kitmiller, born March 24, 1929; died June 29, 1929.
2. Billie Laura Kitmiller, born May 20, 1930.
3. Grace Carol Kitmiller, born November 30, 1933.
4. James Oscar Kitmiller, born October 2, 1936.

Fifth Generation

Arthur Raymond Gibbs was married October 13, 1930 to Freda Collie, born June 23, 1913, daughter of Simon and Anna Mae (Grady) Collie.

Children:

1. Arthur Raymond Gibbs, Jr., born September 29, 1932.
2. Ronald Woodrow Gibbs, born October 8, 1935.

Fourth Generation

William Culp was married September 7, 1890 to Emma Caroline Hill. She was born September 2, 1874 at Mill Creek, Pendleton County, West Virginia, and died December 26, 1915; aged 41 years, 3 months, 24 days.

William Culp was a construction superintendent for the Dravo Contracting Co. of Pittsburg, Pennsylvania. His work took him to different parts of the country, and at the time of his death his official residence was Alexander, New York. At the time of his death he had been employed in

Detroit, Michigan, one year; he was sinking a shaft for the International Salt Co. at Oakwood, a suburb of Detroit. Throughout the construction of this shaft they were troubled with gas. In an attempt to rescue one of his employees who had been overcome by the deadly gas, William Culp lost his life. A medal was awarded after his death for the attempted rescue. His three sons, Richard, James, and Guy were all working on the shaft at the time he was killed.

William Culp was married April 11, 1917 to Josephine Deketelacre. She was born in Brussels, Belgium.

Children born to William and Emma (Hill) Culp:

1. Ora Belle Culp, born October 30, 1891.
2. Charles Edward Culp, born January 18, 1894.
3. Katharine Virginia Culp, born January 24, 1896.
4. Peter Richard Culp, born January 4, 1898.
5. James Julius Culp, born December 1, 1899.
6. Francis William Culp, born January 15, 1902, died March 1, 1902.
7. Guy Henry Culp, born July 19, 1903.
8. Frederick Hugh Culp, born December 16, 1907.
9. Patrick Orlando Culp, born November 26, 1914.

The above were all born in Garrett County, Maryland, Post Office, Dobbin, West Virginia, excepting Francis William Culp, who was born in Pocomoke City, Maryland, and Frederick Hugh Culp, who was born in Henry, West Virginia.

James Julius Culp lives in Beallsville, Pennsylvania. Record not available.

Fifth Generation

Ora Belle Culp was married May 1, 1910 to Joshua S. Watson, born February 1, 1886 at Reedsville, West Virginia, son of Thomas J. and Eliza (Shuttlesworth) Watson. He is a mine foreman. They are members of the Christian Church, and they live in Detroit, Michigan.

Fifth Generation

Charles Edward Culp was married January 3, 1931 to Grace A. Sherman, born June 5, 1897 at Gainsville, New York, daughter of William and Maggie (Shoff) Freeman.

Sergeant of the guards at the Attica State Prison. Attica, New York.

Fifth Generation

Katharine Virginia Culp was married to Herbert Feaster. He was a miner. She lives in Wilson, West Virginia.

Children:

1. William Eavers Feaster, born December 15, 1914.
2. Doris Irene Feaster, born August 19, 1917.
3. Herbert Lamar Feaster, born January 22, 1919.
4. Josephine Awilda Feaster, born January 19, 1924.
5. Donald Eugene Feaster, born January 5, 1929.

Fifth Generation

Peter Richard Culp was married February 2, 1923 to Frances May Hixenbaugh, born February 12, 1905, daughter of Sooner and Laura Hixenbaugh. He is a master mechanic for a construction company. His home address is Morgantown, West Virginia, but is at present located at Socorra, New Mexico. He is a Presbyterian.

Children:

1. Elizabeth June Culp, born October 17, 1927; died in infancy.
2. William Edward Culp, born February 16, 1929.

Fifth Generation

Guy Henry Culp was married July 20, 1927 to Estell Walthall, born in Birmingham, Alabama, daughter of Raymond and Mary (House) Walthall.

Construction superintendent of dam projects. Birmingham, Alabama.

Fifth Generation

Frederick Hugh Culp was married February 21, 1927 to Evelyn Maud Cowell, born April 23, 1907 in Detroit, Michigan, daughter of Charles B. and Emily (Hebden) Cowell.

Factory worker. Detroit, Michigan.

Children:

1. Frederick Hugh Culp, Jr., born February 20, 1928 in Detroit, Michigan.
2. Jean Evelyn Culp, born June 30, 1930 in Detroit, Michigan.
3. James Edward Culp, born June 1, 1933 in Rose City, Michigan.

Fifth Generation

Patrick Orlando Culp was married September 7, 1936 to Ann Pearl Davis, born September 8, 1920 in Bohon, Kentucky, daughter of H. T. and Ruth (Whiteside) Davis.

Factory worker. Detroit, Michigan.

Fourth Generation

John Culp was married August 9, 1896 to Lula Catharine Hill, born February 12, 1875, daughter of Kenneth Grayham and Virginia Hill.

Farmer and pumper in the mines. Gormanian, West Virginia.

Children:

1. Ernest Eugene Culp, born June 18, 1906.
2. Arthur William Culp, born August 9, 1907.
3. Lester Melvin Culp, born July 20, 1915.

(Six children died in infancy before Ernest, five died in infancy between Arthur and Lester, and one died after Lester.)

Fifth Generation

Ernest Eugene Culp was married April 4, 1926 to Goldie Virginia Warsaw, born November 30, 1909, daughter of William Pierce and Nellie (Ridder) Warsaw. (The name Warsaw is an alias, it ought to be Richel. William Pierce Warsaw changed his name and raised a family under the name of Warsaw.)

Children:

1. One child, died in infancy.

Fifth Generation

Arthur William Culp was married April 17, 1927 to Pearl Victoria Hartman, born August 9, 1907, daughter of Seymour and Martha (Sebold) Hartman.

Children:

1. Lulu Ellen Culp, born November 16, 1928.
2. Velma May Culp, born November 19, 1930.
3. Joyce Elizabeth Culp, born April 29, 1932.
4. Betty Alice Culp, born March 26, 1936.

Fourth Generation

Abner Culp was married January 1, 1897 to Letchia Rummer, born October 16, 1880 in Preston County, West Virginia, daughter of Taylor and Martha (Winters) Rummer. She died April 16, 1925, aged 44 years, 6 months. Abner Culp is a carpenter and contract builder, and lives at Sinnickson, Acomac County, Virginia.

Children:

1. William Franklin Culp, born November 28, 1898.
2. Robert Leroy Culp, born January 16, 1902.
3. Eunice Viola Culp, born October 17, 1904.

4. Anna Catherine Culp, born October 26, 1906.
5. Dessie Marie Culp, born January 23, 1908.
6. John Edward Culp, born November 28, 1909.
7. Charles Albert Culp, born March 13, 1912.
8. Harry Percy Culp, born April 26, 1914.
9. Noah Ruthford Culp, born January 4, 1917.
10. Ernest Abner Culp, born December 23, 1922.

On October 10, 1925 Abner Culp was married to Eva Bowen, born in Worcestor County, Maryland, daughter of Isaac and Priscilla (Pettit) Bowen.

To them were born:

1. Richard Culp, born May 14, 1927.
2. Emla Culp, born May 14, 1934.

Fifth Generation

William Franklin Culp was married September 17, 1921 to Sadie Davis, born May 24, 1903 at Hebron, North Dakota, daughter of George S. and Millie (Frankland) Davis.

Sawyer and planing mill operator. Pocomoke City, Maryland.

Children:

1. William Frankland Culp, Jr., born October 18, 1922.
2. James Alfred Culp, born August 19, 1925.
3. John Culp, born July 18, 1927.
4. Roy Phillip Culp, born March 13, 1934.
5. Norman Edward Culp, born November 5, 1936.

Fifth Generation

Robert Leroy Culp was married September 25, 1920 to Susie Howard, born August 22, 1884 in Somerset County, Maryland, daughter of George and Indenia (Bloodworth) Howard.

Farmer. Withams, Virginia.

Children:

1. Mary Marie Culp, born June 11, 1924.

Fifth Generation

Eunice Viola Culp was married November 29, 1924 to Davis Lee Isdell, born July 6, 1885 in Northampton County, Virginia, son of John William and Salie Mae (Richardson) Isdell. He had been a soldier in the World War, and is a waterman and fisherman. They live at Birdsnest, Northampton County, Virginia, and are members of the Baptist Church.

Children:

1. Davis Lee Isdell, born June 6, 1926 in Northampton County, Virginia.
2. Edward Thomas Isdell, born November 14, 1927 in Northampton County, Virginia.
3. Dorothy Mae Isdell, born April 2, 1930 in Acomac County, Virginia.

Fifth Generation

Anna Catherine Culp was married December 6, 1924 to Howard Bowe, born October 2, 1906 at Venton, Maryland, son of Frank and Bertha (Martin) Bowe.

Dairy worker. Rehobeth, Maryland. Church of the Brethren.

Children:

1. Catherine Bell Bowe, born September 1, 1925.
2. Sarah Anna Bowe, born January 17, 1927.
3. Margaret Beatrice Bowe, born February 17, 1929.
4. Howard Phillip Abner Bowe, born December 14, 1930.
5. Frank William Bowe, born February 14, 1934.

Fifth Generation

Dessie Marie Culp was married December 27, 1924 to Leon Sparrow, born January 7, 1906 at Stocklin, Maryland, son of John and Annie (Scott) Sparrow.

Laborer. Pocomoke City, Maryland.

Children:

1. Belle Jane Sparrow, born June 29, 1925.
2. Clifton Lee Sparrow, born January 23, 1927.
3. Mary Ann Sparrow, born December 24, 1928.
4. Margaret May Sparrow, born March 8, 1930.
5. Winnie Marie Sparrow, born February 28, 1932.
6. Paul Edward Sparrow, born May 13, 1934.

Fifth Generation

John Edward Culp was married December 24, 1936 to Ruth Byrd, born October 9, 1914 near Crisfield in Somerset County, Maryland, daughter of Wilbur and Christine (Sparrow) Byrd.

Carpenter. Crisfield, Maryland.

Fifth Generation

Charles Albert Culp was married to Georgia Lee Mills, born November 2, 1907, in Acomac County, Virginia, daughter of George Franklin and Emily Jane (Annis) Mills. He is at present a road worker, and they live at Birdsnest, Virginia.

Children :

1. Elizabeth Mary Culp, born December 9, 1930.
2. LeRoy Jackson Culp, born September 13, 1932.
3. Marvin Ray Culp, born February 6, 1933; died in infancy.
4. Roland Lee Culp, born July 12, 1934.

Fifth Generation

Harry Percy Culp was married to Lela Nelson of Crisfield, Somerset County, Virginia. He is a dairy worker, and they live at Rehoboth, Maryland.

Fifth Generation

Noah Ruthford Culp was married to Helen Lankford. Carpenter. Silva, Virginia.

Fourth Generation

Elizabeth Culp was married September 16, 1893 to Solon T. Wilson, born July 23, 1871 in Garrett County, Maryland, son of George W. and Mary Eliza Wilson.

Children :

1. Ruby Madeline Wilson, born August 6, 1894; died February 5, 1911. Aged 16 years, 5 months, 29 days.
2. Robert George Wilson, born November 27, 1895.
3. Ida Beatrice Wilson, born March 21, 1897.
4. Eliza Katherine Wilson, born March 17, 1899.
5. Rex Stanley Wilson, born September 22, 1900; died September 3, 1928. Aged 27 years, 11 months, 11 days.
6. Carl Albert Wilson, born December 9, 1902.

Rex Stanley Wilson was drowned while on duty at the Philadelphia Navy Yard.

Elizabeth Culp Wilson was married June 17, 1919 to James Oden Rodgers, who was born August 25, 1867 in Anne Arundle County, Maryland. Their present address is Churchtown, Maryland.

Fifth Generation

Robert George Wilson was married April 6, 1922 to Bessie Green, daughter of Artemus W. and Emily Green of Warren, Ohio. He is an electrician. They live at 815 Kenilworth Avenue, Warren, Ohio, and are members of the Presbyterian Church.

Children :

1. Robert George Wilson, Jr., born in 1926.
2. Betty Mae Wilson, born in 1928.
3. William Albert Wilson, born in 1930.

Fifth Generation

Ida Beatrice Wilson was married November 23, 1915 to Joseph Geroski, who came from Austria to America at the age of 12.

Miner. Kempton, West Virginia. Methodist.

Children:

1. Joseph Stanley Geroski, born September 5, 1916; died July 4, 1917.
2. Carl Albert Geroski, born November 9, 1917.
3. Francis Gerald Geroski, born November 13, 1919.
4. Elizabeth Helen Geroski, born April 21, 1923.
5. John Harold Geroski, April 4, 1925.

Fifth Generation

Eliza Katherine Wilson was married October 30, 1915 to Edward Jackson House, born November 28, 1888, son of Samuel G. and Rhoda E. House.

Coal miner. Barrackville, West Virginia. Baptist.

Children:

1. Robert Edward House, born February 8, 1918.
2. Marion Kathryn House, born May 24, 1924.

Fourth Generation

Nora Culp was married September 25, 1896 at Oakland, Maryland to Robert George Hambleton, born December 13, 1872 at Shenandoah Valley, Virginia, son of John and Catharine (Mewma) Hambleton. They lived in West Virginia several years, and later moved to Eastern Shores, Maryland. He was a barber and mine fire boss. He died August 5, 1931.

Children:

1. Ada Florence Hambleton, born October 14, 1898 at Dobbin, West Virginia.
2. Maud Viola Hambleton, born August 6, 1902 at Cakesbury, Maryland.
3. Dora Ellen Hambleton, born August 6, 1904 at Cakesbury, Maryland, died November 2, 1924 at Henry, West Virginia.

After the death of Nora (Culp) Hambleton, Robert George Hambleton was married to Olive Hazel Adams. They had four children. In his later years he lived at Kempton, West Virginia.

Fifth Generation

Ada Florence Hambleton was married in 1917 to Wil-

William Jennings Bryan Griffith, born October 6, 1896, son of Jacob and Hannah (Phillips) Griffith.

Miner. Parkersburgh, West Virginia.

Children:

1. Hilda Haviland Griffith, born June 19, 1919 at Henry, West Virginia.
2. Vera Jennings Griffith, born July 4, 1922 at Kitzmiller, Maryland.
3. William Kenneth Griffith, born December 3, 1924 at Buchannan, West Virginia.
4. Bryan Griffith, Junior, born March 26, 1926 at Buchanan, West Virginia.

Fifth Generation

Maud Viola Hambleton was married October 14, 1922 to William Offutt Cramer, son of Jackson William and Amanda (Uppole) Cramer.

Painter. Morgantown, West Virginia.

One child:

1. Pearl Dane Cramer, born September 12, 1924 at Henry, West Virginia; died December 22, 1932 at Morgantown, West Virginia.

Fifth Generation

Dora Ellen Hambleton was married to William Trader of Salisbury, Maryland.

One child:

1. William Trader, Jr., born August 26, 1924 at Salisbury, Maryland.

William Trader, Jr., lives with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Bird Trader of Salisbury, Maryland.

Fourth Generation

Ellen Culp was married August 17, 1899 at Cumberland, Maryland, to Aaron Frinklin Bowers, born September 30, 1870 in Shenandoah County, Virginia, son of Joseph and Elizabeth (Barb) Bowers.

Electrical engineer. Henry, West Virginia. Lutheran.

Children:

1. Aubrey Frinklin Bowers, born December 24, 1901.
2. Virginia Helena Bowers, February 15, 1905.
3. Harry Lowell Bowers, born August 11, 1906.
4. Norma Lorraine Bowers, born May 28, 1923.

There were three other children who died in infancy.

Fifth Generation

Aubrey Frinklin Bowers was married June 16, 1927 to Mabel Clair Deems, born March 25, 1907 at Fairfax, West Virginia, daughter of Arthur and Bessie (Casner) Deems. Electrical engineer. Kempton, West Virginia.

Fifth Generation

Harry Lowell Bowers was married October 20, 1927 to Dorothy Evelyn Justic, born July 20, 1907 at Davis, West Virginia daughter of Elonzo and Etta Virginia (Carr) Justic. They live at Nuttallburg, West Virginia.

Children:

1. Harry Lowell Bowers, Jr., born October 2, 1928.
2. Ella Lorraine Bowers, born December 16, 1930.
3. Margarita Harrietta Bowers, born March 4, 1932.

Third Generation

Mary E. Holdeman was married September 20, 1868 to Peter B. Loucks, son of Peter and Anna (Barkey) Loucks. He was born January 22, 1847, and has been a farmer and carpenter. In 1873 they moved from Elkhart County, Indiana, where she had grown to womanhood, to McPherson County, Kansas, near Moundridge, where as pioneers they settled on a farm on which they lived fifty-one years. She was converted at the age of 28, united with the Church of God in Christ, Mennonite, and was an earnest Christian worker.

Children:

1. Anna Catharine Loucks, born September 4, 1869.
2. Helena Loucks, born March 21, 1871; died March 28, 1875. Aged 4 years, 7 days.
3. Martin Loucks, born October 24, 1874; died February 9, 1882. Aged 7 years, 3 months, 15 days.
4. Martha Loucks, born November 28, 1877; died January 31, 1882. Aged 4 years, 2 months, 3 days.
5. Sarah Loucks, born June 22, 1880; died February 3, 1882. Aged 1 year, 7 months, 11 days.
6. Laura Loucks, born March 25, 1883.
7. Jesse Loucks, born September 23, 1884.
8. Dora Loucks, born April 5, 1886.
9. Jonas Loucks, born February 7, 1888.
10. Samantha Loucks, born August 2, 1890.
11. David Loucks, born June 9, 1892; died December 16, 1894. Aged 2 years, 6 months, 7 days.

Fourth Generation

Anna Catharine Loucks was married March 17, 1888 to Rollin Geisinger, who was born August 26, 1859, and died May 3, 1897. She was married again October 22, 1906 to Walter Bowen, who was born April 25, 1860. He is a clerk in the Dallas Labor Temple Association. They live at 2215 Federal Street, Dallas, Texas.

Fourth Generation

Laura Loucks was married June 10, 1902 to Charles W. Grant, born November 29, 1874.

Horse dealer, farmer, and railroader. Moundridge, Kansas.

Children:

1. Herbert Claud Grant, born July 13, 1902.
2. Anna Laura Grant, born February 7, 1905.
3. Lottie May Grant, born June 23, 1906.
4. Peter John Grant, born February 23, 1909.

Fifth Generation

Herbert Claud Grant was married May 23, 1925 to Clara Brown, born June 5, 1896.

Foreman in American Canning Co. 1521 Brookside, Waukegan, Illinois.

One son:

1. Herbert Claud Grant, Jr., born December 31, 1932.

Fifth Generation

Anna Laura Grant was married September 23, 1920 to Clarence C. Crist, born November 3, 1903.

Farmer, railroader.

To them was born:

1. Charles C. Crist, Jr., born March 20, 1921.

Fifth Generation

Lottie May Grant was married August 31, 1926 to Glen Christie, born May 18, 1895.

Car salesman. 203 East Briar, Dodge City, Kansas.

Fourth Generation

Jesse Loucks was married September 20, 1908 to Carrie Becker, born July 8, 1883, daughter of Benjamin and Eva (Schmidt) Becker.

Farmer. Copeland, Gray County, Kansas. Church of God in Christ, Mennonite.

Children:

1. Ora Loucks, born July 3, 1909.

2. Mildred Loucks, born July 17, 1910.
3. Effie Loucks, born October 7, 1911.
4. Frances Loucks, born November 19, 1912.
5. Myrtle Loucks, born October 29, 1913.
6. Samantha Loucks, born November 28, 1914; died January 12, 1927. Aged 12 years, 1 month, 14 days.
7. Mary Loucks, born February 24, 1916.
8. Alva Loucks, born April 18, 1917.
9. Lottie Loucks, born June 2, 1918.
10. David Loucks, born September 16, 1919.
11. Walter Loucks, born November 12, 1920.
12. John Loucks, born January 26, 1922; died August 19, 1922. Aged 6 months, 23 days.
13. Harvey Loucks, born August 15, 1923.
14. Martha Loucks, born November 20, 1925.

Fifth Generation

Ora Loucks was married May 8, 1933 to Anna Ratzlaff, born August 10, 1910, daughter of Henry and Sarah (Schmidt) Ratzlaff.

Farmer and mechanic. Copeland, Gray County, Kansas.

To them was born:

1. Ellen May Loucks, born March 25, 1934.
2. Jesse Lee Loucks, born October 13, 1935.

Fifth Generation

Mildred Loucks was married March 10, 1931 to Mack Angus McCoy, born October 24, 1889.

Garage man. Copeland, Gray County, Kansas.

Children:

1. Leon Loucks McCoy, born June 14, 1930.
2. Marion McCoy, born December 17, 1931.
3. Barba Lee McCoy, born March 20, 1934.
4. Patsy Ruth McCoy, born December 8, 1936.

Fifth Generation

Effie Loucks was married March 24, 1933 to Viven Koehn, born March 24, 1909, son of Benjamin and Ida (Unruh) Koehn.

Farmer. Copeland, Gray County, Kansas. Church of God in Christ Mennonite.

To them was born:

1. LeRoy Koehn, born March 4, 1934.
2. Gladys Elva Koehn, born April 18, 1935.
3. Welden Dean Koehn, born June 29, 1936.

Fifth Generation

Frances Loucks was married February 4, 1933 to Laurel Peterson, born July 8, 1908, son of Charles and Ida Peterson.

Farmer. Larned, Kansas. Swedish Lutheran Church.

Children:

1. Carolyn June Peterson, born September 29, 1933.
2. Laurel Charles Peterson, born September 25, 1934.

Fifth Generation

Myrtle Loucks was married September 25, 1934 to Ralph Dunham.

Farmer. Methodist.

Children:

1. Dwight John Dunham, born June 21, 1935.
2. Donald Ralph Dunham, born July 24, 1936.

Fourth Generation

Dora Loucks was married September 30, 1903 to Abraham Jantz, born September 1, 1878, in McPherson County, Kansas, son of Jacob and Susanna (Redger) Jantz.

Farmer. Webb City, Missouri. Mennonite.

Children:

1. Rosa May Jantz, born July 15, 1905; died October 10, 1907. Aged 2 years, 2 months, 25 days.
2. Rollin Jantz, born January 24, 1908.
3. Menno Jantz, born January 15, 1910; died July 12, 1910. Aged 5 months, 27 days.
4. Ruby Jantz, born January 11, 1912.
5. Goldie Jantz, born February 22, 1913.
6. Zella Jantz, born June 8, 1914.
7. Ila Jantz, born May 25, 1917.
8. Helen Jantz, born October 20, 1919.
9. Marvin Jantz, born May 2, 1922.

The five oldest were born in McPherson County, Kansas; the four youngest in Haskell County, Kansas.

Fifth Generation

Rollin Jantz was married November 11, 1934 to Mary Isabell Cook, born March 16, 1913, daughter of Vernon and Roxie (Edwards) Cook.

Farmer. Webb City, Missouri. Mennonite.

Children:

1. Rosa Marie Jantz, born August 17, 1935.
2. Wanda Louise Jantz, born October 12, 1936.

Fifth Generation

Ruby Jantz was married March 8, 1935 to Harold Medford Weaver, born February 25, 1905, son of Jonas R. and Nannie (Bare) Weaver.

Farmer. Carl Junction, Missouri. Mennonite.

One daughter was born:

1. Bernadine Avis Weaver, born March 25, 1936.

Fifth Generation

Helen Jantz was married February 21, 1937 to Jack Holmgren, born February 24, 1917, son of John and Nina (Hood) Holmgren.

Fourth Generation

Jonas Loucks was married February 7, 1909 to Nettie Becker, born April 10, 1890, daughter of Benjamin and Eva (Schmidt) Becker.

Farmer. Gossel, Kansas.

Children:

1. Elda Loucks, born January 18, 1910; died October 9, 1910. Aged 8 months, 21 days.
2. Opal Loucks, born April 17, 1911.
3. Mable Loucks, born June 13, 1912.
4. Martin Loucks, born December 8, 1913.
5. Dora Loucks, born April 18, 1915.
6. Anna Catharine Loucks, born September 9, 1916.
7. Alta Loucks, born June 7, 1918.
8. Peter B. Loucks, born January 29, 1920.
9. Nora Loucks, born May 19, 1922.
10. Berdie Loucks, born November 21, 1924.
11. Jacob Loucks, born April 29, 1926.
12. Edna Loucks, born March 14, 1928.

Fifth Generation

Martin Loucks was married to Opal Blosser.

A daughter was born:

1. Dorothy Frances Loucks, born February 23, 1936.

Fifth Generation

Dora Loucks was married to Eugene Landis.

One son was born:

1. Clifford Max Landis, born February 14, 1936.

Fourth Generation

Samantha Loucks was married June 2, 1918 to Silas S. Johnson, born October 31, 1889, son of Adam and Elizabeth (Johnson) Johnson. He died July 9, 1928, aged 38 years, 8

months, and 10 days. They lived in different parts of Kansas, and for a time in Ohio, but in his latter years they lived on a farm near Halstead. He was an assistant editor of the *Messenger of Truth*, official paper of the Church of God in Christ, Mennonite.

Children:

1. Newlin Craig Johnson, born October 2, 1919.
2. Perry Elwood Johnson, born September 6, 1922.
3. Warren Glenn Johnson, born August 30, 1926.

Third Generation

William F. Holdeman was married July 30, 1871 to Mary Loucks, born April 24, 1850, daughter of Peter and Anna (Berkey) Loucks. She died October 5, 1917, aged 67 years, 5 months, and 11 days. For many years they lived on a farm near Elkhart, Indiana, and specialized in fruit growing. He spent much time in reading the Bible and in his earlier years contributed to Church papers. His latter years were spent in the vicinity of Southwest, a village east of Wakarusa.

Children:

1. Rosa Ann Holdeman, born August 3, 1873; died November 11, 1875.
2. Clara Holdeman, born November 29, 1876.
3. Amanda Holdeman, born July 5, 1879.
4. Anna Holdeman, born November 16, 1881.
5. Samantha Holdeman, born June 9, 1884.
6. Lucy Holdeman, born May 4, 1886; died April 11, 1894.
7. Bertha Holdeman, born October 6, 1891.

Fourth Generation

Clara Holdeman was married July 13, 1895 to Nathan Weaver, son of Aaron and Mary (Bare) Weaver. He was born April 7, 1875, and died April 25, 1934, aged 59 years, and 18 days.

Painter. Goshen, Indiana. R. R. 5. Mennonite.

Children:

1. Floyd Welcome Weaver, born May 1, 1896.
2. Laura Weaver, born September 12, 1899.
3. Mary Mable Weaver, born April 16, 1902.
4. Pauline May Weaver, born February 8, 1909.
5. Christena Pearl Weaver, born October 21, 1914.

Fifth Generation

Floyd W. Weaver was married February 19, 1920 to Hazel Lehman, born July 30, 1898, daughter of Simeon and Saloma (Buzzard) Lehman. He was ordained to the Gospel ministry and is pastor of the Mennonite Church at Rensselaer, Indiana. He is also a painter and decorator.

Children:

1. Kenneth LaMar Weaver, born December 18, 1923.
2. Joseph Stanley Weaver, born June 7, 1926.
3. Herman Jay Weaver, born April 8, 1932.
4. Herbert Ray Weaver, born April 8, 1932.

Fifth Generation

Laura Weaver was married March 7, 1920 to Oscar M. Troyer, born January 25, 1898, son of Bishop Daniel D. and Elizabeth (Boyer) Troyer.

Farmer. Goshen, Indiana, R. R. 1. Mennonite.

Children:

1. Willis Gerald Troyer, born October 11, 1922.
2. Maxine Vannetta Troyer, born February 24, 1927.
3. Donald DeVon Troyer, born October 19, 1929.

Fifth Generation

Mary Mable Weaver was married September 14, 1927 to John Gingerich, born October 7, 1900 in Ontario, Canada, son of Enoch and Rebecca (Witmer) Gingerich. He was ordained to the ministry of the Gospel December 10, 1933, and is assistant pastor of the Prairie Street Mennonite Church in Elkhart, Indiana.

To them was born:

1. Beatrice Jeanette Gingerich, born June 23, 1929; died November, 1930. Aged 1 year, 7 months.

Fifth Generation

Pauline May Weaver was married July, 1929 to Herman Shrock, born June 24, 1905, son of David and Alice (Eby) Schrock.

Farmer. Mishawaka, Indiana. Mennonite.

Children:

1. Harriet Ann Schrock, born July 23, 1931.
2. Herman Devon Schrock, born August 24, 1932.
3. Lowell Quinten Schrock, born May 20, 1934.

Fourth Generation

Amanda Holdeman was married to Amos Bechtel, born December 22, 1873, son of Rev. Amos and Mary (Funk)

Bechtel. He is a carpenter, and lives at Elkhart, Indiana.

Two daughters were born:

1. Dorothea Lillian Bechtel, born August 5, 1900.
2. Amanda Bechtel, born January 20, 1902.

Amanda Bechtel was reared by Mr. and Mrs. Noah Wenger.

Fifth Generation

Dorothea Lillian Bechtel was married March 9, 1918 to Olen Ray Hartman, born October 18, 1897, son of Joseph and Sarah (Billman) Hartman. He has been a Watkins dealer since 1922. They live in Wakarusa and are Menonites.

Children:

1. Erma Evangeline Hartman, born March 27, 1919.
2. Ray Carlyle Hartman, born May 5, 1921.

Fifth Generation

Amanda Bechtel, who was commonly called Amanda Wenger, was married to Nelson Weaver, son of Noah and Lydia (Weaver) Weaver.

Carpenter. Dunlap, Indiana. Progressive Brethren Church.

Fourth Generation

Anna Holdeman was married November 23, 1899 to Melvin A. Thomas, son of Jacob and Lovina (Fox) Thomas. He was born November 23, 1877, and died October 11, 1929; aged 51 years, 10 months, 18 days. He was employed in the Kraut Factory at Nappanee, Indiana. They lived near Nappanee, and were members of the Church of the Brethren.

They had three daughters:

1. Mary Ellen Thomas, born December 29, 1903.
2. Ada May Thomas, born December 10, 1906.
3. Lottie Devere Thomas, born May 1, 1908.

Fifth Generation

Mary Ellen Thomas was married April 20, 1921 to Otto Robison, born March 13, 1899, son of Oliver and Adeline (Grant) Robison.

Laborer. Nappanee, Indiana.

Children:

1. Frieda May Robison, born May 11, 1922.
2. Albert Leroy Robison, born May 21, 1924.

Fifth Generation

Ada May Thomas was married April 4, 1925 to Owen

Hershberger, born September 17, 1906, son of Moses and Ellen (Roose) Hershberger.

Laborer. Nappanee, Indiana.

To them was born:

1. Ruby May Hershberger, born May, 1926.

Fifth Generation

Lottie Devere Thomas was married to Perry Sharp.

To her was born:

1. Frances Marie Arnold, born April 30, 1926.
2. Kenneth Ray Sharp, born October 24, 1928.

Lottie Devere Thomas was married March 3, 1932 to Rollan McDonald, son of Thomas and Jenny (Yarian) McDonald. He is employed in the Kraut Factory at Nappanee, Indiana.

Fourth Generation

✓ Samantha Holdeman was married October 9, 1907 to Jacob Henry Bowser, born March 10, 1875, son of George F. and Elizabeth Ann (Miser) Bowser. He was for nearly thirty-three years a thresher, having started in this occupation at the age of sixteen. He had also been a carpenter, and was later a farmer. They are members of the Evangelical Church. She had been a Mennonite, but there is no church of this denomination in the vicinity of Kansas, Ohio, where they live.

Children:

1. Myrtle May Bowser, born July 21, 1908.
2. Anna Laura Bowser, born June 7, 1910.
3. Wilma Irene Bowser, born January 21, 1912.
4. William Henry Bowser, born January 21, 1912.
5. Cora Elizabeth Bowser, born November 10, 1913.
6. George Eldred Bowser, born March 31, 1915.
7. Roy Raymond Bowser, born March 8, 1917; died June 7, 1933. Aged 16 years, 2 months, 29 days.
8. Laurel Marie Bowser, born January 13, 1919.
9. Warren Ray Bowser, born November 13, 1920.
10. Charles Melvin Bowser, born January 1, 1925.

Fifth Generation

Myrtle May Bowser was married July 30, 1928 to Reuben R. Sheffel, son of John William and Martha Elizabeth (Strawbridge) Sheffel. He is a policeman at Findlay, Ohio, where they live at 516 Second Street.

Children :

1. Bonnie Lee Sheffel, born March 8, 1930.
2. Vivian May Sheffel, born February 18, 1933.
3. Robert William Sheffel, born January 29, 1935.

Fifth Generation

Anna Laura Bowser was married August 17, 1933 to Roy L. Knapp, son of William H. and Nellie (Lawson) Knapp. He is a painter and decorator in Toledo, Ohio. Their address is 543 Orchard Street, Toledo.

Fifth Generation

Wilma Irene Bowser was married June 4, 1932 to Charles Ayers, son of George and Mary Ayers.

One son was born :

1. Richard Allen Ayers, born January 23, 1933.

Wilma Irene Bowser was married the second time May 5, 1936 to R. V. Dangler, son of Henry Lafayette and Elizabeth Ann (Berryhill) Dangler. He had been an electrician, but they now are engaged in onion raising near Potterville, Michigan.

Fourth Generation

Bertha Holdeman was married December 20, 1911 to Charles Lehman, son of Isaac and Matilda (Snyder) Lehman. He was born August 27, 1880 near Wakarusa, Indiana, and died March 6, 1936; aged 55 years, 6 months, 9 days. They lived on a farm near Wakarusa, Indiana, and were members of the Mennonite Church.

Children :

1. Mildred Lehman, born May 9, 1915.
2. Russell Lehman, born July 24, 1921.

Third Generation

Levi Holdeman was married January 4, 1877 to Rebecca Bare, daughter of Christian Bare, a Mennonite minister of Elkhart County, Indiana, and his wife, Esther (Shank) Bare. Rebecca Bare Holdeman was born in Ohio July 29, 1848 and died October 15, 1921. While living in Kansas Levi Holdeman obtained papers for veterinary work from the State Board, and practiced extensively; when he left Kansas he was succeeded in this work by his brother, Jonas. In 1913 he moved to Harrison, Michigan, where he purchased a farm and continued the occupation of farming and veterinary. They were members of the Church of God in Christ, Mennonite.

Children, born in Kansas:

1. Lucy Ellen Holdeman, born December 1, 1877; died November 28, 1878.
2. Eva Holdeman, born November 13, 1880.
3. Monroe Holdeman, born April 14, 1883.

Fourth Generation

Eva Holdeman was married May 3, 1899 to August H. Johnson, born April 15, 1875 in Russia, son of Henry and Caroline Johnson. They lived on a farm near Newton, Kansas until August 10, 1922, when they moved to a farm near Braman, Oklahoma, just across the Kansas line. Their address is Hunnewell, Kansas.

Children, born in Kansas:

1. Esther Johnson, born February 9, 1900.
2. Elsie Johnson, born March 9, 1901.
3. Rosie Johnson, born September 23, 1902; died September 18, 1931. Aged 28 years, 11 months, 25 days.
4. Harvey Monroe Johnson, born July 30, 1904.
5. Floyd Johnson, born February 18, 1907; died March 16, 1907.
6. Gertrude May Johnson, born May 22, 1909.

Fifth Generation

Esther Johnson was married November 24, 1920 to Orion Chester Adams, son of Obadiah and Hasseltine (Chandler) Adams.

Manager of a grocery store. 763 College Street, Springfield, Missouri. Christian Church.

Children:

1. Margie Maxine Adams, born August 16, 1921.
2. Delbert Leroy Adams, born November 20, 1922.
3. Wayne Elvin Adams, born January 30, 1925.

Fifth Generation

Elsie Johnson was married February 1, 1934 to Joseph Wilbur Marshall, son of Oliver and Bertha (Little) Marshall. They are engaged in farming near Braman, Oklahoma. She is a member of the Methodist Church.

Fifth Generation

Rosie Johnson was married December 17, 1924 to Joseph Wilbur Marshall, son of Oliver and Bertha (Little) Marshall. They lived on a farm south of Hunnewell, Kansas, but their address was Braman, Oklahoma.

Children:

1. Dorothy Alice Marshall, born January 8, 1926.
2. Ruby Lucille Marshall, born May 24, 1927.
3. Robert Joseph Marshall, born July 6, 1931.

Fifth Generation

Harvey Monroe Johnson was married April 10, 1929 to Evelyn Corn, daughter of Porter and Lillian (Burgett) Corn.

Farmer. Kildare, Oklahoma. Methodist.

Children:

1. Betty Jane Johnson, born January 10, 1930.
2. Jerry Jerome Johnson, born April 2, 1932.
3. Mary Ruth Johnson, born January 27, 1935.

Fifth Generation

Gertrude May Johnson was married November 10, 1931 to Virgil Clark Ragan, son of James and Viola (Heacock) Ragan.

Mechanic. Montrose, Colorado. Methodist.

Fourth Generation

Monroe Holdeman was married October 19, 1913 to Emma Kuepfer, a daughter of Jacob and Tinna (Peters) Kuepfer, from Ontario, Canada and from Berlin, Germany, respectively.

Farmer and veterinarian. Harrison, Michigan. Church of God in Christ, Mennonite.

Children, born near Harrison, Michigan:

1. Mabel Mae Holdeman, born December 26, 1914.
2. Lawrence Lee Holdeman, born October 7, 1916.
3. Paul Donald Holdeman, born April 13, 1920.
4. Neil Robert Holdeman, born September 4, 1922.
5. Helen June Holdeman, born June 25, 1924.
6. Benjamin A. Holdeman, born October 10, 1926.

Fifth Generation

Mable Mae Holdeman was married December 30, 1934 to Arlie Iutzi, son of Christian and Clara (Cross) Iutzi.

Farmer. Harrison, Michigan. Church of God in Christ, Mennonite.

Third Generation

Sarah Holdeman was married August 8, 1875 to Absolom Wenger, son of Peter and Susanna (Wildfang) Wenger. He was born June 21, 1846 in Ontario, Canada, near Kitchener, and died July 19, 1932. He had come with his

parents to Elkhart County, Indiana, and lived three miles north of Wakarusa. In 1875 he went to McPherson County, Kansas, where he obtained a quarter section from the government.

Children:

1. Helena Wenger, born March 8, 1882.
2. Emma Wenger, born December 2, 1883; died October 13, 1929. Aged 45 years, 10 months, 11 days.
3. Anna Wenger, born September 5, 1885; died April 8, 1886. Aged 7 months, 3 days.
4. Frances Ruth Wenger, born July 25, 1886.
5. Frank H. Wenger, born February 27, 1887.
6. Conrad Wenger, born December 17, 1889.
7. Elizabeth Wenger, born September 17, 1891; died January 22, 1929. Aged 37 years, 4 months, 5 days.
8. Martha Wenger, born September 3, 1893.
9. Mary Wenger, born November 8, 1894.
10. John Wenger, born June 4, 1899.

Fourth Generation

Helena Wenger was married March 2, 1898 to John Heckens, born September 25, 1873, son of Peter and Mary Heckens. They lived on a farm near Hesston, Kansas. He was also a thresher, and while engaged in this work he was scalded by an exploded engine. He died July 5, 1901, aged 27 years, 9 months, 10 days.

Children, born near Hesston, Kansas:

1. Estella May Heckens, born November 25, 1899.
2. Clarence Jacob Heckens, born November 22, 1900.

Helena Wenger was married the second time September 16, 1902 to Jacob Heckens, born March 27, 1846, son of Peter and Mary Heckens. They lived on a farm near Hesston, Kansas. He died August 13, 1912, aged 66 years, 4 months, 16 days.

Children:

1. Peter Arthur Heckens, born June 3, 1903; died August 13, 1915.
2. Sarah Margaret Heckens, born January 27, 1907.
3. Anna Elizabeth Heckens, born March 27, 1909.

Helena Wenger was married the third time September 18, 1913 to Herman Koelsch, born October 29, 1873.

Laborer. Great Bend, Kansas. Baptist.

Fifth Generation

Estella May Heckens was married December 9, 1915 to Henry Koelsch, born August 9, 1888.

To them was born:

1. Mary May Koelsch, born July 16, 1918.

Estella May Heckens was married the second time March 5, 1920 to Ernest H. Duda, born October 6, 1893, son of Frank and Anna (Setzkorn) Duda.

Express Agent. Great Bend, Kansas.

To them was born:

1. Eugene Arnold Duda, born July 5, 1922.

Fifth Generation

Clarence Jacob Heckens was married July 17, 1921 to Mable Brown, born June 1, 1900, daughter of Joseph Brown.

Boiler maker. Great Bend, Kansas.

To them was born:

1. Clarence Jr. Heckens, born June 9, 1922.

Fifth Generation

Sarah Margaret Heckens was married February 24, 1929 to Otto Selle, born July 17, 1898, son of Anna and Joseph (Premus) Selle. He had been a farmer, and they now live in Great Bend, Kansas.

Fifth Generation

Anna Elizabeth Heckens was married April 4, 1931 to Nicolas Espinosa Gutierrez, born December 8, 1904 in Mexico, son of Juan and Rumalda (Espinosa) Gutierrez.

Railroad track inspector. Great Bend, Kansas. Catholic Church.

Children:

1. Norma Jean Koch, born October 5, 1927.
2. Ramona Gutierrez, born August 31, 1932.
3. Nicolas John Guterrez, born January 27, 1933.
4. Virginia Lee Gutierrez, born February 24, 1935.

Fourth Generation

Emma Wenger was married June 16, 1901 to Robert David Monroe, born November 2, 1862, son of David and Sarah (Clark) Monroe. He died November 18, 1930, aged 68 years, 16 days.

Farmer. Hesston, Kansas. Methodist.

Children:

1. Florence Monroe, born April 27, 1902.

2. Irvin Monroe, born January 14, 1904.
3. Harry Monroe, born May 7, 1908.
4. Vella Monroe, born September 30, 1911.

Fifth Generation

Florence Monroe was married November 22, 1924 to J. Lin Hinshaw, born February 28, 1904, son of J. Till and Mamie (Neuhouse) Hinshaw.

Railroad car inspector. 2223 North Waco, Wichita, Kansas. Methodist.

One son:

1. Robert Lee Hinshaw, born October 17, 1925.

Fifth Generation

Harry Monroe was married June 12, 1932 to Helen Cranston, born June 28, 1910 at Winfield, Kansas, daughter of Charles C. and Nettie (Stewart) Cranston. Harry Monroe graduated from Southwestern College, Winfield, Kansas, June 4, 1932, and from Iliff School of Theology, Denver, Colorado, with degree of Th. M., June 12, 1936. He was first licensed to preach September 14, 1929, accepted as a member on trial in the Southwest Kansas Methodist Conference in October, 1933, and ordained in Denver, Colorado, June 21, 1936. He has served pastorates at Dexter and at Anson, Kansas, at Louisville and at Broomfield, Colorado, and is at present a pastor at Tooele, Utah.

One son:

1. Kenton Lyle Monroe, born July 31, 1933.

Fifth Generation

Vella Monroe was married December 21, 1935 to Gerald Donnelly. He is a baker.

One son:

1. James Donnelly, born November 19, 1936.

Fourth Generation

Frances Ruth Wenger was married May 11, 1903 to John Floyd, born October 9, 1881.

Mill Rite Carpenter. 1036 S. Market Street, Wichita, Kansas.

Children:

1. Sarah Jane Floyd, born January 7, 1905.
2. Minnie Frances Floyd, born June 22, 1907.

Fifth Generation

Sarah Jane Floyd was married November 22, 1925 to Charles Leroy Roody, born June 6, 1890.

Pastry salesman. 1628 S. Wichita Street, Wichita, Kan.
To them was born:

1. Richard Roody, born September 22, 1926.

Fifth Generation

Minnie Frances Floyd was married March 24, 1924 to William Gray.

1036 South Market Street, Wichita, Kansas.

To them was born:

1. John William Gray, born November 4, 1925.

Fourth Generation

Frank H. Wenger was married February 27, 1910 to Anna Dueck, daughter of John and Margaret (Hiebert) Dueck. She was born May 22, 1890, at Hillsboro, Kansas; died January 25, 1935 in Bethesda Hospital, Goessel, Kansas, at the age of 44 years, 8 months, 3 days.

He is a minister in the church of God in Christ, Menonite, and a farmer, near Moundridge, Kansas. He was chosen by the Meridian congregation near Hesston for the ministry, December 6, 1917 and was ordained into his office, a minister of the Gospel, December 9, 1917. He is a leader in his denomination, has been widely used as an evangelist, and is a frequent contributor to the *Messenger of Truth*.

Frank H. Wenger was married January 13, 1936 to Mrs. Mary Peters.

Children:

1. Harry D. Wenger, born January 25, 1911.
2. Alice Wenger, born July 7, 1913.
3. Elda Wenger, born January 11, 1915.
4. Ruth Wenger, born March 6, 1917.
5. Josephine Wenger, born August 7, 1918.
6. Margaret Wenger, born February 4, 1920; died May 28, 1922.
7. Paul Wenger, born March 29, 1921.
8. Ervy Wenger, born February 5, 1927.
9. Grace Wenger, born August 22, 1928.
10. Edith Wenger, born August 17, 1930.

Fifth Generation

Harry D. Wenger was married August 9, 1936 to Gladys Koehn, born September 20, 1917, daughter of John and Eva (Koehn) Koehn. Harry D. Wenger was ordained to the ministry of the Gospel February 10, 1935, and is at present assistant pastor of the Meridian Church near Hesston, Kan-

sas, in the Church of God in Christ, Mennonite. He was also placed in charge of the tract work in his denomination on April 30, 1934, the time of the organization of the Free Tract Society. Their present address is Moundridge, Kansas, R. R. 2.

Fifth Generation

Alice Wenger was married January 21, 1934 to Howard Wayne Miller, born August 23, 1912, son of William and Clara (Iutzi) Miller.

Farmer. Ithica, Michigan, R. R. 2. Church of God in Christ, Mennonite.

Children:

1. Wayne William Miller, born July 14, 1935.

Fifth Generation

Elda Wenger was married May 22, 1935 to Orlie Koehn, son of John and Elizabeth (Jantz) Koehn.

Farmer. Montezuma, Kansas. Church of God in Christ, Mennonite.

They have a daughter:

1. Charlotte Nadine Koehn, born May 14, 1936.

Fifth Generation

Ruth Wenger was married July 24, 1936 to Orval Llewellyn Johnson, born April 22, 1915, son of Herman and Mary (Holdeman) Johnson.

Moundridge, Kansas, R. R. 2.

Fourth Generation

Conrad Wenger was married November 11, 1911 to Anna Becker, born January 27, 1892, daughter of Reuben and Eva (Schmidt) Becker.

Farmer. Moundridge, Kansas. Church of God in Christ, Mennonite.

Children, born near Moundridge, McPherson County, Kansas:

1. Herby Wenger, born January 8, 1913.
2. Elton Wenger, born February 21, 1915.
3. Milferd Wenger, born November 28, 1916.
4. Arvilla Mae Wenger, born February 2, 1919.
5. Clayton Wenger, born December 28, 1920.
6. Ruby Ruth Wenger, born November 19, 1922.
7. Clara Belle Wenger, born February 14, 1924.
8. Marvin Wenger, born April 6, 1927.
9. Della Jane Wenger, born July 4, 1929.
10. Norman Wenger, born August 25, 1931.

Fifth Generation

Herby Wenger was married April 12, 1936 to Elva Elizabeth Yost, born March 31, 1914, daughter of Alphaeus L. and Frances (Holdeman) Yost.

Farmer. Newton, Kansas. Church of God in Christ, Mennonite.

Fourth Generation

Elizabeth Wenger was married January 23, 1910 to Abraham Unruh, born February 10, 1884, son of Peter and Susanna (Koehn) Unruh.

Farmer. Moundridge, Kansas. Church of God in Christ, Mennonite.

Children:

1. Harry Unruh, born March 28, 1911.
2. Harvey Unruh, born March 28, 1911.
3. Homer Unruh, born August 4, 1912.
4. Conrad C. Unruh, born August 31, 1915.
5. Hazel Unruh, born November 25, 1916.
6. Oliver Unruh, born August 12, 1919.
7. Susanna Unruh, born April 8, 1921.
8. Twila Unruh, May 18, 1923; died November 3, 1925.
9. Clifford Unruh, born January 31, 1925.
10. Martha Unruh, born March 17, 1926.
11. Kenneth Unruh, born January 22, 1929.

Fifth Generation

Harry Unruh was married June 28, 1936 to Iva Buller, born January 11, 1915, daughter of John H. and Ida (Koehn) Buller.

Fourth Generation

Martha Wenger was married February 9, 1915 to Leo Richardson.

Rooming House Keeper. 43 West 84th Street, New York City.

Fourth Generation

Mary Wenger was married in 1912 to Marion Claud McConnaughy. He was born July 30, 1891. Their address is 2023 East Third St., Wichita, Kansas.

Children:

1. Cleda McConnaughy, born February 24, 1914.
2. Pearl Elizabeth McConnaughy, born August 14, 1915.
3. Hazel May McConnaughy, born September 21, 1916.

Fourth Generation

John Wenger was married February 26, 1923 in New York City to Mary Michalsky. He was a soldier in the World War.

Steam Fitter. 902 W. 38th Street, Baltimore, Maryland.

Children:

1. Mary Jane Wenger, born August 4, 1924.
2. Alice Martha Wenger, born May 7, 1931.

Third Generation

Samuel K. Holdeman was married March 31, 1881 to Olive Viola Faught, daughter of James and Sarah (Bird) Faught. She was born June 14, 1859 in Hamilton County, Iowa, and died December 17, 1893. He was a farmer and carpenter, and lived in Kansas. In 1914 they moved to Clair County, Michigan, and later to near Wadsworth, Ohio, where he died. He was a member of the Church of God in Christ, Mennonite.

Children:

1. Carrie Alice Holdeman, born February 26, 1882 in Harvey County, Kansas; died May 20, 1883. Aged 1 year, 2 months, 24 days.
2. Roderick Dhu Holdeman, born August 12, 1883 in Harvey County, Kansas; died September 10, 1934. Aged 51 years, 28 days.
3. Sarah Jane Holdeman, born June 16, 1885 in Harvey County, Kansas; died January 27, 1887. Aged 1 year, 7 months, 11 days.
4. Vlachos Pearl Holdeman, born May 23, 1887 in Chase County, Kansas.
5. Sadie Belle Holdeman, born April 1, 1889 in Chase County, Kansas.
6. Mary F. Holdeman, born September 11, 1891 in McPherson County, Kansas.
7. John F. Holdeman, born November 23, 1893 in McPherson County, Kansas.

Samuel K. Holdeman was married the second time November 27, 1898 to Catharine H. Leatherman, born November 25, 1875 in Medina County, Ohio, daughter of Jacob O. and Christina (Hauenstein) Leatherman.

Fourth Generation

Roderick Dhu Holdeman was married February 22, 1903 to Louisa Lovina Lyons, born May 17, 1884 in Harvey County, near Walton, Kansas, daughter of Dwight and Mary (Blangie) Lyons.

Farmer. Aline, Oklahoma. Disciples of Christ Church.

Children:

1. Leslie John Holdeman, born October 1, 1902.
2. Pearl Dwight Holdeman, born December 24, 1904; died January 21, 1916. Aged 11 years, 27 days.
3. Sylvester Samuel Holdeman, born August 11, 1906.
4. Mary Ettie Holdeman, born April 16, 1908.
5. Irvin Ray Holdeman, born January 3, 1910.
6. Marvin Frank Holdeman, born February 12, 1912.

Fifth Generation

Leslie John Holdeman was married September 17, 1932 to Myrtle Anna Peterson, born July 11, 1907 in Cutis, Oklahoma, daughter of Edward and Samantha (Casebeer) Peterson.

Plumber. Newton, Kansas.

Children:

1. Ella May Holdeman, born May 17, 1933.
2. Elsie Fay Holdeman, born May 20, 1935.

Fifth Generation

Sylvester Samuel Holdeman was married February 2, 1930 to Carrie Violet Wilson, born February 2, 1914 in Wichita, Kansas, daughter of Harry and Iva (Puffinberger) Wilson.

Farmer. Aline, Oklahoma. Methodist.

Children:

1. Rosalee June Holdeman, born July 10, 1931.
2. Harry Dwight Holdeman, born July 23, 1933.

Fifth Generation

Mary Ettie Holdeman was married August 20, 1927 to Cecil Leroy Wiggins, born November 24, 1902 at Wellington, Kansas, son of Volney and Lucy (Rumble) Wiggins.

Farmer. Cleo, Oklahoma.

Children:

1. Florabell Claudine Holdeman, born January 2, 1926.
2. Billie Maxine Wiggins, born March 23, 1928.
3. Marvin Leroy Wiggins, born January 4, 1931.

4. Melvin Ray Wiggins, born October 21, 1932; died October 21, 1932.
5. Alice Virginia Wiggins, born December 11, 1933.

Fifth Generation

Irvin Ray Holdeman was married September 5, 1934 to Alice Opal Allen, born August 6, 1912 at Aline, Oklahoma, daughter of Walter Herbert and Nellie (Chase) Allen.

Children:

1. Ada Loretta Holdeman, born May 4, 1935.
2. Herbert Dewey Holdeman, born July 9, 1936.

Fifth Generation

Marvin Frank Holdeman was married December 24, 1934 to Nellie Donzella Allen, born October 29, 1918 at Aline, Oklahoma, daughter of Walter Herbert and Nellie (Chase) Allen.

Children:

1. Ruth Eleanor Holdeman, born October 14, 1935.

Fourth Generation

Vlachos Pearl Holdeman was married October 25, 1916 to Meda Ray, born March 19, 1894 in Harvey County, Kansas. To this union no children were born.

Vlachos Pearl Holdeman was married the second time July 27, 1925 to Thelma Pearl Davis. She was born November 20, 1913, in Joplin, Missouri.

Children:

1. Robert Earl Holdeman, born May 30, 1926.
2. Dolly May Holdeman, born April 9, 1928.

Thelma Pearl Davis Holdeman died December 25, 1928.

Vlachos Pearl Holdeman was married the third time September 17, 1931 to Mildred Frances Smith. She was born February 22, 1907 in Caldwell County, Missouri. They live in Riverstyx, Medina County, Ohio.

One child:

1. Wanetta Rose Holdeman, born November 13, 1933.

Fourth Generation

Sadie Belle Holdeman was married June 22, 1908 to Ray Lewis Ball, born September 27, 1887 at Peabody, Marion County, Kansas, son of James and Katherine Ball. After the death of her mother Sadie Belle lived three years with Levi Holdeman, then was brought up by John A. Holdeman.

Mason. Flint, Michigan, 3410 Augusta Street.

Children:

1. Beulah Marie Ball, born February 24, 1909; died May 13, 1934. Aged 25 years, 2 months, 19 days.
2. Alma Mae Ball, born June 22, 1910.
3. Homer Lewis Ball, born October 4, 1911.
4. Faye Belle Ball, born October 22, 1912.
5. James Samuel Ball, born June 21, 1916.
6. Veda Dorine Ball, born September 4, 1918.

Fifth Generation

Beulah Marie Ball was married November 21, 1927 to Leo France, born September 5, 1902 at Sheboygan, Michigan, son of William and Mary France. He is a factory worker at Flint, Michigan.

Children:

1. Mary Belle France, born March 7, 1929.
2. Glenna Dorine France, born September 11, 1930.
3. Melvin A. France, born November 18, 1931; died January 19, 1932. Aged 2 months, 1 day.

Fifth Generation

Alma Mae Ball was married March 28, 1925 to Laroy Eli Westphal, born December 9, 1901 at Akron, Michigan, son of John and Charlotte Westphal. He is a factory worker at Flint, Michigan.

Children:

1. Laroy Ray Westphal, Jr., born June 4, 1927.
2. Joyce Mae Westphal, born November 5, 1931.

Alma Mae Ball was married the second time February 16, 1934 to Wilbur Kimmerer, son of Elias and Hattie Kimmerer.

Fifth Generation

Homer Lewis Ball was married February 22, 1936 to Ruth J. Gittins, daughter of Ila C. and Grace Agatha Gittins. They live in Flint, Michigan.

Fifth Generation

Faye Belle Ball was married August 15, 1928 to Horace Maxwell, born May 19, 1910 in Flint, Michigan, son of William and Mae Maxwell. They live in Flint, Michigan, where he is employed in a factory.

Children:

1. Amanda Mae Maxwell, born June 12, 1930.
2. Ethel Bernadine Maxwell, born July 31, 1934.
3. Charlotte Ann Maxwell, born January 12, 1936.

Fifth Generation

James Samuel Ball was married February 21, 1936 to Jessie Thomson, daughter of Ezra and Ethel Thomson. He is a machine operator, and they live at Flint, Michigan.

One son was born:

1. Robert Lee Ball, born August 26, 1936.

Fourth Generation

Mary F. Holdeman was married March 2, 1913 to Herman P. Johnson, born April 5, 1891 in McPherson County, Kansas, son of Abraham B. and Helena (Wedel) Johnson. She was raised by Levi Holdeman. They lived in Medina County, near Valley City; in the autumn of 1936 they moved to Summerdale, Alabama.

Farming and Dairying. Church of God in Christ, Mennonite.

Children:

1. Maynard Maxwell Johnson, born January 26, 1914 in Clair County, Michigan.
2. Orval Llewellyn Johnson, born April 22, 1915 in Clair County, Michigan.
3. Ruth Berdine Johnson, born October 22, 1916 in Clair County, Michigan.
4. Zetta Mae Johnson, born May 10, 1918 in Clair County, Michigan.
5. Jefferson LaVerne Johnson, born February 2, 1920 in Gratiot County, Michigan.
6. Doris June Johnson, born December 16, 1921, in Gratiot County, Michigan.
7. Chester Leigh Johnson, born December 20, 1924 in Gratiot County, Michigan.
8. Theda Berniece Johnson, born July 5, 1926, in Gratiot County, Michigan.
9. Charles Duane Johnson, born December 20, 1927 in Medina County, Ohio.
10. Richard Dale Johnson, born January 29, 1929 in Stark County, Ohio.
11. Thelma Pearl Johnson, born November 8, 1930 in Stark County, Ohio.

Fourth Generation

John F. Holdeman was married February 24, 1915 to Kittie Smith, born November 22, 1894, daughter of Harry S. and Eva L. (Webb) Smith. He owns and operates a pro-

duce station at Newton, Kansas, called Holdeman Produce, and buys cream, eggs, and poultry from nearly all Holdeman relatives in that territory.

Children :

1. Luella Kathryn Holdeman, born November 30, 1915, near Kinsley, Kansas.
2. Olive Virginia Holdeman, born February 9, 1918 near Kinsley, Kansas.
3. Frank Maynard Holdeman, born November 18, 1919, near Hesston, Kansas.

Third Generation

Salome Holdeman was married August 17, 1877 to Jonathan Steiner, son of Abraham and Mary Ann (Kohler) Steiner. He was born October 26, 1855, in Allen County, Ohio, near Bluffton, and came to Kansas in 1876. After their marriage they lived in McPherson County, Kansas on a farm of one hundred and sixty acres. They were members of the Church of God in Christ, Mennonite. Jonathan Steiner died September 11, 1890. After his death Salome Holdeman Steiner lived some years with her parents, then returned to her farm which was under the care of her son, David Steiner.

Children :

1. Albert Steiner, born May 15, 1878.
2. Mary Ann Steiner, born July 27, 1879.
3. Henry Steiner, born February 8, 1881; died
4. Samuel Steiner, born December 10, 1882; died April 3, 1891. Aged 8 years, 4 months, 23 days.
5. Abraham Steiner, born February 25, 1884.
6. Helena B. Steiner, born January 9, 1886. Single.
7. David Steiner, born October 27, 1887.
8. Clara Steiner, born April 18, 1889.
9. Anna Steiner, born January 1, 1891.

Fourth Generation

Albert Steiner was married to Anna King, born March 23, 1883, daughter of William and Barbara (Weiblen) King.

Trucker. Newton, Kansas. Evangelical Church.

Children :

1. Lillian Steiner, born July 11, 1899.
2. Ervin Steiner, born May 24, 1901.
3. Paul Steiner, born January 15, 1905.

4. Raymond Steiner, born May 27, 1909.
5. Dorothy Steiner, born May 17, 1916.
6. Helen Steiner, born April 13, 1918.
7. Florence Steiner, born January 16, 1920.

Fifth Generation

Lillian Steiner was married November 9, 1923 to Lawrence Molzen, born July 11, 1899 at Newton, Kansas, son of Henry and Salma (Schwenson) Molzen.

Farmer. Newton, Kansas.

Children (adopted):

1. Patricia Molzen, born January 1, 1929.
2. Genieve Molzen, born November 27, 1931.

Fifth Generation

Ervin Steiner was married in November, 1922 to Neva Tangeman, daughter of John and Christina (Molzen) Tangeman.

Farmer. Sedgmuth, Kansas.

Children:

1. Ruth Steiner, born May 5, 1925.
2. Beverly Steiner, born May 28, 1929.

Fifth Generation

Paul Steiner was married September 2, 1932 to Tryphenia Schroeder, born October 17, 1911 at Dalton, South Dakota, daughter of John and Helena (Schalt) Schroeder.

Groceryman. 123 South Bonnie Brae. Los Angeles, California.

Children:

1. Paul Leo Steiner, born April 1, 1934 in Los Angeles, California.

Fifth Generation

Raymond Steiner was married September 19, 1932 to Jessie Clark, born April 1, 1912 at Wichita, Kansas, daughter of Jesse and Pansy (Winnell) Clark.

Flour Packer. 114 Lakeview, Newton, Kansas.

Children:

1. Gerald Raymond Steiner, born July, 1934.

Fifth Generation

Dorothy Steiner was married April 3, 1934 to Delbert Drier, son of Fred and Luella (Molzen) Drier.

Farmer. Newton, Kansas.

Children:

1. Luella Deane Drier, born February 28, 1935 in Newton, Kansas.

Fourth Generation

Mary Ann Steiner was married January 1, 1901 to Henry Lyon, son of Dwight and Mary Lyon. He was a farmer, and they lived in Stanton County, Kansas.

They had one child:

1. William Lyon, born September 25, 1899.

After the death of Henry Lyon in October 31, 1914, Mary Ann Steiner was married the second time July 5, 1915 to George Gleckler, who was born April 19, 1866. They live in Ellmore, Ohio, and are members of the Church of God. He is a farm owner and a tile manufacturer. Since retiring he has been very busy looking over his tile-manufacturing and farming interests.

Fourth Generation

Henry Steiner was married September 30, 1901 to Carrie Seehaver, born January 5, 1883, daughter of Frederick and Magdalena (Heiden) Seehaver.

Farmer. Newton, Kansas. Evangelical Church.

Children:

1. Rosa Mae Steiner, born May 3, 1902.
2. Mable Anna Steiner, born February 25, 1906.
3. Neva Lucile Steiner, born August 18, 1908; died February 8, 1911.

Fifth Generation

Rosa Steiner was married April 17, 1921 to Herbert Floyd Regier, born December 15, 1894, son of John A. and Anna (Fast) Regier.

Farmer. Moundridge, Kansas. Evangelical Church.

Children:

1. Berneice Adeline Regier, born June 21, 1922.
2. Margie Salome Regier, born March 15, 1926.
3. Jane Ann Regier, born February 6, 1929.
4. Mae Dee Regier, born November 10, 1930.

Fourth Generation

Abraham Steiner was married November 24, 1907 to Rosa Gerig, born September 24, 1881, daughter of Peter and Magdalena (Rupp) Gerig. They live on a farm near Grabbill, Indiana, and are members of the Defenseless Mennonite Church.

To them was born:

1. Elvena Steiner, born December 28, 1913.
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Fifth Generation

Elvena Steiner was married June 1, 1935 to Walter Kimes, born January 24, 1906, son of Harvey and Isa (Fales) Kimes. He is employed at the Ford Motor Co., and serves as line boss in the packing and shipping department of the glass plant. Their address is 4096 Calhoun St., Dearborn, Michigan.

Fourth Generation

David Steiner was married February 6, 1916 to Hattie Pletcher, born April 18, 1893, daughter of John and Lydia (Berkey) Pletcher. They live on the Jonathan Steiner farm near Canton, Kansas. Holiness Mennonite Church.

Children:

1. John Steiner, born January 11, 1918.
2. Lucile Steiner, born June 6, 1919.
3. William Steiner, stillborn December 21, 1926.

Fourth Generation

Clara Steiner was married August 4, 1912 to Edward Fricke, born April 10, 1892 in Ithica, Michigan, son of Bishop F. C. and Clara (Steiner) Fricke. They live in Monroe, Indiana, and he is employed by the Farm Bureau, with headquarters at Indianapolis. He has lectured through the state on farm problems. Clara Steiner Fricke is a member of the Church of God in Christ, Mennonite.

Children:

1. Wilbur Fricke, born May 31, 1913.
2. Esther Fricke, born January 3, 1915.
3. Neva Fricke, born January 25, 1916.
4. Mable Fricke, born October 31, 1918.
5. Harold Fricke, born November 25, 1919.
6. Doris Fricke, born November 5, 1921.
7. Benjamin Fricke, born February 8, 1923.
8. Lawrence Fricke, born March 2, 1925.
9. Patrecia Fricke, born November 25, 1929.

Fifth Generation

Esther Fricke was married August 31, 1935 to Melvin Habeger. They live in Fort Wayne, Indiana, where he is manager of the Farm Bureau of Allen County.

Fourth Generation

Anna Steiner was married March 10, 1912 to Daniel Jantz, born January 2, 1882, son of Jacob and Susanna (Redger) Jantz. They live on a farm near Hesston, Kan-

sas, and are members of the Church of God in Christ, Mennonite.

Children :

1. Adella Jantz, born January 28, 1913.
2. Bernice Jantz, born March 27, 1914.
3. Cecil Jantz, born November 22, 1915.
4. Marcellus Jantz, born May 1, 1917.
5. Marion Jantz, born July 13, 1918.
6. Wanita Jantz, born February 2, 1920.
7. Glenn Jantz, born June 5, 1921.
8. Jason Jantz, born April 24, 1923.
9. Donald Jantz, born January 21, 1925.
10. Emily Jantz, born March 18, 1928.
11. Roma Jantz, born March 4, 1930.

Third Generation

Daniel B. Holdeman was married April 24, 1883 to Helena Koehn, born February 2, 1858, daughter of Henry and Helena (Becker) Koehn. She died April 27, 1926, aged 68 years, 2 months, 25 days. On April 22, 1879 he united with the Church of God in Christ, Mennonite, and was ordained to the ministry on March 6, 1882. He served as pastor of the Meridian congregation near Hesston, Kansas, where he spent most of his life with the exception of several years near Butler, Missouri. By means of preaching tours his ministry extended to other sections of the Church. His occupation was farming.

"Daniel as a Christian was one of those who knew he had passed from death unto life; he devotedly loved and served the Master in that living faith which showed itself in all his ways. No one could be with him long without being impressed by his fervent devotion to the Master whom he loved. Whatever pleased the Lord pleased him.

"As a minister and church father he leaves to us a very worthy example: ever being careful to adorn the Gospel of God in and with his daily life and words; when called upon to pass judgment first to hear both sides, and after due consideration, in love, to give his honest decision without fear or favor. Due to his wise considerations and impartial spirit his counsel was sought in all parts of the Church. As a preacher he preached the Word in spirit and attended with the power of God, so that many were converted through his efforts. As a counsellor and church father he

was excelled by few, and we feel a great loss when we think of his wide experience, which he was always willing to share, causing the Church at Hesston to feel the loss of a beloved father and elder that cannot be replaced.

“In life he had his blessings and his disappointments, but one never learned that he was elated in success or cast down in times of adversity, but, setting his affections on things above, he pressed on until he reached his goal.

“Therefore, be it resolved: That we bow in humble submission to the Divine Will, for by the passing of this most efficient and painstaking official the Church has sustained a serious loss. That we shall greatly miss the fellowship of this godly man, his invaluable counsel and his holy courage; but while our hearts are sad yet we rejoice in the assurance that he who was bloodwashed here has joined the company of the bloodwashed in heaven.”—The Messenger of Truth.

To Daniel B. and Helena (Koehn) Holdeman nine children were born:

1. Jesse Holdeman, born May 3, 1884; died May 9, 1886. Aged 2 years, 6 days.
2. Noah Holdeman, born June 6, 1885; died March 4, 1886. Aged 8 months, 28 days.
3. Ezra K. Holdeman, born September 13, 1886.
4. Josephine Holdeman, born March 20, 1888.
5. Joseph K. Holdeman, born March 22, 1888.
6. Rhoda Holdeman, born July 31, 1889; died October 1, 1892. Aged 3 years, 2 months.
7. Frank Holdeman, born August 31, 1891; died February 23, 1892. Aged 5 months, 22 days.
8. Frances Holdeman, born August 31, 1891.
9. Esther Holdeman, born May 14, 1896.

Fourth Generation

Ezra K. Holdeman was married October 17, 1909 to Anna Jantz, born March 29, 1891, daughter of Peter and Helena (Schmidt) Jantz.

Farmer. Greensburg, Kansas. Mennonite.

Children:

1. Vesta Lenora Holdeman, born April 10, 1911.
2. Cleda Boneta Holdeman, born March 6, 1913.
3. Alma Fannie Holdeman, born February 3, 1915.
4. Menno Holdeman, born May 23, 1917.
5. Inez Marjorie Holdeman, born November 9, 1920.

6. Ivan Edward Holdeman, born February 14, 1923.
7. Paul Howard Holdeman, born October 9, 1924.

Fourth Generation

Josephine Holdeman was married February 16, 1913 to Elias A. Johnson, born September 2, 1887, son of Adam and Elizabeth (Jantz) Johnson.

Farmer. Rich Hill, Missouri. Church of God in Christ, Mennonite.

To this union were born six children:

1. Dennis Eugene Johnson, born December 27, 1913.
2. Allen Jay Johnson, born February 21, 1916.
3. Lois Helena Johnson, born May 22, 1919.
4. Willard Miles Johnson, born March 16.
5. Charles Floyd Johnson, born September 4.
6. Jewel Elizabeth Johnson, born August 21, 1928.

Fourth Generation

Joseph K. Holdeman was married March 22, 1916 to Esther Luginbill, born September 16, 1896, daughter of Samuel and Kathryn (Wedel) Luginbill.

Farmer. Halstead, Kansas. Church of God in Christ, Mennonite.

To this union were born eight children:

1. Twila Kathryn Holdeman, born August 1, 1918; died April 12, 1919.
2. Percy Dale Holdeman, born March 9, 1920.
3. Morris Joseph Holdeman, born August 17, 1921.
4. Lacey Rule Holdeman, born October 12, 1922.
5. Wilbur Ross Holdeman, born December 26, 1923.
6. Harlin Earnest Holdeman, born July 13, 1925.
7. Willie Dee Holdeman, born November 7, 1929.
8. Kenneth Calvin Holdeman, born May 14, 1931.

Fourth Generation

Frances Holdeman was married December 25, 1911 to Alphaeus L. Yost, born September 4, 1886, son of Peter and Susanna (Megli) Yost.

Farmer. Moundridge, Kansas. Church of God in Christ, Mennonite.

To this union were born six children:

1. Floyd Aaron Yost, born October 20, 1912.
2. Elva Elizabeth Yost, born March 31, 1914.
3. Letha Lucille Yost, born May 31, 1917.
4. Emery Daniel Yost, born March 18, 1920.

5. Clayton Christy Yost, born April 19, 1923.
6. Lester Levi Yost, born December 2, 1926.

Fifth Generation

Elva Elizabeth Yost was married April 12, 1936 to Herby Wenger, born January 8, 1913 near Moundridge, Kansas, son of Conrad and Anna (Becker) Wenger.

Farmer. Newton, Kansas. Church of God in Christ, Mennonite.

Fourth Generation

Esther Holdeman was married August 17, 1919 to Obed Johnson, born January 15, 1897, son of John and Eva (Koehn) Johnson.

Farmer. Halstead, Kansas. Church of God in Christ, Mennonite.

To this union were born four children:

1. Theda JoAnn Johnson, born June 27, 1921.
2. Eleanor Corinne Johnson, born December 6, 1922.
3. Bertrand Erral Johnson, born July 30, 1925.
4. Betty Elaine Johnson, born December 24, 1929.

Third Generation

Conrad Holdeman was born December 21, 1861, in Elkhart County, Indiana. At the age of eleven years he moved with his parents to Kansas, locating on a farm in McPherson County where he grew to manhood. On October 14, 1886 he was united in marriage to Sarepta Ferguson, born January 2, 1867, a daughter of Samuel and Magdalena (Hoffman) Ferguson and located on a farm one-half mile north of his father's farm. He is a member of the Church of God in Christ, Mennonite, and on March 20, 1910, was ordained to the ministry of that church. He is a pastor of the Meridian congregation near Hesston.

To this union were born twelve children:

1. Sarah Jane Holdeman, born September 8, 1887.
2. Titus Lee Holdeman, born November 1, 1889.
3. Mildred F. Holdeman, born February 23, 1892.
4. Emmaline S. Holdeman, born December 28, 1894.
5. Elizabeth G. Holdeman, born April 24, 1896.
6. Alferd C. Holdeman, born January 20, 1898.
7. Lucretia N. Holdeman, born November 30, 1899.
8. Frank W. Holdeman, born October 27, 1901.
9. William F. Holdeman, born September 5, 1904; passed away September 14, 1906, at the age of 2 years, 10 days.

10. Gertrude R. Holdeman, born August 5, 1906.
11. Irene B. Holdeman, born November 9, 1908.
12. Oliver W. Holdeman, born February 28, 1912.

Fourth Generation

Sarah Jane Holdeman was married February 21, 1912 to Emil Jantz, born September 12, 1884, son of Jacob and Sussanna (Redger) Jantz. They are members of the Mennonite Church, and live near Walton, Kansas.

To this union were born five children:

1. Milferd Milton Jantz, born December 14, 1912.
2. Winston Wilbert Jantz, born December 1, 1913.
3. Kerwin Kieth Jantz, born February 14, 1919.
4. Floris Sarepta Jantz, born November 26, 1920.
5. Beryle Berdeen Jantz, born October 13, 1929.

Fourth Generation

Titus Lee Holdeman was married December 22, 1910 to Ida Coyer, born December 6, 1890, daughter of Charles and Lily (Duby) Coyer. He is an oil well driller, and lives in Billings, Oklahoma.

To this union were born two children:

1. Lester Leroy Holdeman, born October 23, 1911.
2. Preston Charles Holdeman, born August 8, 1919.

Fourth Generation

Mildred F. Holdeman was married March 16, 1910 to Charles L. Holdeman, born November 28, 1890 at Jasper, Missouri, son of Alpha R. and Sarah Ann (Capp) Holdeman. They are members of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and live near Hutchinson, Kansas, where he is a plumber.

To this union were born four children:

1. Lovetta Fern Holdeman, born February 9, 1911.
2. Donald Eugene Holdeman, born April 20, 1913.
3. Forrest Clyde Holdeman, born September 16, 1916.
4. Shirley Mae Holdeman, born July 11, 1926.

Fifth Generation

Lovetta Fern Holdeman was married May 16, 1931 to Frank Keeler.

Farmer. Hutchinson, Kansas.

To them was born:

1. Donna Zummetta Keeler, born October 4, 1934.
2. Cecelia Ann Keeler, born February 12, 1937.

Fourth Generation

Emmaline S. Holdeman was married February 26, 1913 to Charles L. Rodgers, born January 25, 1888, son of Henry and Sarah (Fretz) Rodgers.

Salesman. Newton, Kansas. Church of the Brethren.

To this union were born five children:

1. Zeta Ozella Rodgers, born January 21, 1914.
2. Edith Birdell Rodgers, born April 28, 1916.
3. Leila Mae Rodgers, born December 15, 1917; passed away January 4, 1918.
4. Lee Roy Rodgers, born June 12, 1919.
5. Keith Kay Rodgers, born July 29, 1923.

Zeta Ozella Rodgers is secretary to the superintendent of the city schools in Newton, Kansas. She was awarded a silver medal by the Gregg Shorthand School of Chicago as an expert stenographer.

Edith Birdell Rodgers is a stenographer for the Newton Finance and Investment Co. in Newton, Kansas.

Fourth Generation

Elizabeth G. Holdeman was married November 25, 1915 to Harvey M. Yost, born June 26, 1891, son of Peter and Susanna (Megli) Yost. They are members of the Church of God in Christ, Mennonite, and he is a deacon. They live on a farm near Greensburg, Kansas.

To this union were born ten children.

1. Rieferd Criston Yost, born November 28, 1916.
2. Mae Betheen Yost, born February 1, 1918.
3. Harlin Conrad Yost, born January 27, 1921.
4. Helen Evelyn Yost, born March 6, 1922.
5. Merle Harvey Yost, born June 13, 1923.
6. Arline Irene Yost, born November 9, 1924.
7. Verna Lorene Yost, born March 3, 1928.
8. Ruth Maralyn Yost, born February 17, 1930.
9. Carl Edwin Yost, born May 17, 1933.
10. Earla Elaine Yost, born October 15, 1934.

Fourth Generation

Alferd C. Holdeman was married December 22, 1916, to Alverta Warner, born February 4, 1899, daughter of Charles and Mary Katherine (Filbeck) Warner. He is State Highway Maintainer, and they live in Newton, Kansas.

To this union were born two children:

1. Betty Pauline Holdeman, born November 13, 1922.
2. Doleen Lavern Holdeman, born July 9, 1926.

Fourth Generation

Lucretia N. Holdeman was married August 24, 1919 to Rev. P. G. Hiebert, born May 7, 1896, son of Peter and Anna (Goosen) Hiebert. They live on a farm near Hillsboro, Kansas, and he is a minister in the Church of God in Christ, Mennonite.

To this union were born five children:

1. Viola Lucille Hiebert, born November 26, 1920.
2. Myra Anne Hiebert, born January 8, 1923.
3. Zelda Mae Hiebert, born February 16, 1924.
4. Byron Lee Hiebert, born November 4, 1928.
5. Esther Marie Hiebert, born January 4, 1931.
6. Melvin Leo Hiebert, born August 3, 1936.

Fourth Generation

Frank W. Holdeman was married October 25, 1925 to Mary M. Becker, born March 19, 1902, daughter of Benjamin and Elizabeth (Wiggers) Becker. They are members of the Church of God in Christ, Mennonite and live on a farm near Hesston, Kansas.

To this union were born four children:

1. Delores Bodine Holdeman, born July 21, 1927.
2. Gladys Elizabeth Holdeman, born May 28, 1929.
3. Annabel Catherine Holdeman, born July 12, 1930.
4. Elaine Shirley Holdeman, born December 31, 1934.

Fourth Generation

Gertrude R. Holdeman was married July 26, 1925 to Arron Y. Boeckner, born July 9, 1901, son of John and Sarah (Yost) Boeckner. They are members of the Church of God in Christ, Mennonite, and live on a farm near Moundridge, Kansas.

To this union were born six children:

1. Wilmont Eugene Boeckner, born June 30, 1926.
2. Anita Marie Boeckner, born April 15, 1928.
3. Leona Ruth Boeckner, born January 29, 1930.
4. Lela Lorena Boeckner, born January 2, 1931.
5. Mae Estella Boeckner, born September 1, 1932.
6. Vada Marcile Boeckner, born October 26, 1933.

Fourth Generation

Irene B. Holdeman was married August 18, 1935 to Ivan

Lloyd Eicher, born November 9, 1903, son of Benjamin J. and Cora B. (Haynes) Eicher.

Farmer. Ithica, Michigan. Church of God in Christ, Mennonite.

Fourth Generation

Oliver W. Holdeman was married October 20, 1935 to Lorena Koehn, born April 16, 1912, daughter of Simon C. and Eva (Unruh) Koehn.

To them was born:

1. Wayne Allen Holdeman, born July 11, 1936.

Third Generation

Anna Holdeman was married April 16, 1882 to Henry A. Koehn, born May 15, 1862 in Oustrug, Poland, Russia, son of Abraham and Helena (Schmidt) Koehn. He died November 24, 1931 in Dodge City, Kansas, aged 69 years, 6 months, 9 days. He came to America in 1874, at the age of twelve years, and spent the first winter at Florence, Kansas, but later settled at Halstead, Kansas. In 1878 he was converted and united with the Church of God in Christ, Mennonite. In March, 1882, when in his twentieth year, he was ordained to the ministry by Bishop John Holdeman. They lived in different parts of Kansas, including Cimarron, Moundridge, and Montezuma, also in Texas and in California. He preached the Gospel in all places where he lived. He was also a farmer and carpenter.

“As a preacher of the Gospel he was earnest, zealous, and endowed with a very fluent gift of pulpit oratory. Only the Master will be able to measure the good accomplished through his ministry; although he, as we all, made many mistakes, which he often spoke of, and had to learn out of experience the words of the Master ‘Without me ye can do nothing’, to which he gladly humbled himself, and trusted the heavenly wisdom.”—The Messenger of Truth.

Children:

1. Salome Koehn, born March 11, 1884, near Halstead, Kansas.
2. Ida Koehn, born July 11, 1885 near Halstead, Kansas. died December 9, 1918. Aged 33 years, 4 months, 28 days.
3. Ella Koehn, born September 20, 1886 near Halstead, Kansas.

4. Helena Koehn, born March 27, 1888 near Moundridge, Kansas.
5. Eva Koehn, born November 12, 1889 near Halstead, Kansas.
6. Abraham Koehn, born November 12, 1889 near Halstead, Kansas.
7. David Koehn, born November 12, 1891 near Halstead, Kansas.
8. Simon Koehn, born April 4, 1893 near Halstead, Kansas.
9. Jesse Koehn, born February 10, 1895 near Halstead, Kansas.
10. Carrie Koehn, born August 26, 1896 near Hesston, Kansas.
11. Peter Koehn, born September 2, 1898 near Halstead, Kansas. Died January 12, 1899. Aged 4 months, 10 days.
12. Dora Koehn, born November 20, 1899 near Hesston, Kansas.
13. William Koehn, born September 15, 1902 near Halstead, Kansas.
14. Susanna Koehn, born August 3, 1906 near Durham, Kansas; died November 17, 1906. Aged 3 months, 14 days.

Fourth Generation

Salome Koehn was married February 22, 1905 to Jonas Jantz, born December 26, 1881 in Kansas, son of John and Susan (Jantz) Jantz.

Farmer. Montezuma, Gray County, Kansas. Church of God in Christ, Mennonite.

Children:

1. Ella Mae Jantz, born November 28, 1905.
2. Goldie Evangeline Jantz, born January 17, 1907; died August 6, 1907.
3. Henry William Jantz, born June 17, 1908.

Fifth Generation

Ella Mae Jantz was married October 9, 1928 to John H. Koehn, born August 6, 1903 near Galva, McPherson County, Kansas, son of Henry and Elizabeth (Koehn) Koehn.

Farmer. Montezuma, Gray County, Kansas.

Fifth Generation

Henry William Jantz was married May 25, 1930 to

Matilda Nightingale, born July 5, 1901 at Fairview, Oklahoma, daughter of Andrew and Susanna (Koehn) Nightingale.

Farmer. Montezuma, Gray County, Kansas. Church of God in Christ, Mennonite.

Children:

1. Bettie Elaine Jantz, born March 12, 1931.
2. Deloris Venita Jantz, born July 14, 1932.

Fourth Generation

Ida Koehn was married November 15, 1904 to John H. Buller, born February 14, 1882, son of Henry and Eva (Koehn) Buller. They had lived for several years near Lyncan, Colorado, but in 1934 returned to Halstead, Kansas.

Farmer and carpenter. Church of God in Christ, Mennonite.

Children, born in Kansas:

1. Elvina Buller, born September 23, 1905.
2. Mable Buller, born June 3, 1908.
3. Henry Buller, born November 2, 1909.
4. Menno J. Buller, born February 12, 1911.
5. Sylvia Evangeline Buller, born September 13, 1913.
6. Iva Buller, born January 11, 1915.
7. Salome Buller, born August 31, 1912; died June 28, 1913.
8. Leo Buller, born December 17, 1916.
9. Leah Buller, born December 17, 1916.
10. Edna May Buller, born April 22, 1917.
11. Ruby Ethel Buller, born April 24, 1918.

Fifth Generation

Elvina Buller was married August 8, 1926 to John L. Ratzlaff, born March 22, 1904, son of Henry and Eva (Boese) Ratzlaff.

Farmer. Greensburg, Kansas. Mennonite.

Children:

1. Wilbert John Ratzlaff, born June 3, 1927.
2. Vernard Lee Ratzlaff, born June 27, 1929.
3. Waneta Darlene Ratzlaff, born June 18, 1932.

Fifth Generation

Mable Buller was married January 8, 1928 to Albert D. Koehn, born April 22, 1906, son of Daniel and Helena (Boese) Koehn.

Mechanic. Halstead, Harvey County, Kansas. Church of God in Christ, Mennonite.

Children:

1. Leland Lloyd Koehn, born October 23, 1928.
2. Alma Ruth Koehn, born January 11, 1930.
3. Willard James Koehn, born June 25, 1931.

Fifth Generation

Henry Buller was married June 29, 1930 to Eva Schmidt, born December 14, 1913, daughter of Daniel and Ida (Koehn) Schmidt.

Farmer. Texline, Texas. Church of God in Christ, Mennonite.

Children:

1. John Laverne Buller, born July 31, 1931.
2. Franklin Buller, born October 28, 1932.

Fifth Generation

Menno J. Buller was married December 13, 1931 to Edna Erma Schroeder, born October 17, 1909, daughter of Andrew and Susie (Koehn) Schroeder. They had lived on a farm near Manter, Kansas, but in October, 1936 removed to Foley, Alabama. Church of God in Christ, Mennonite.

Children:

1. Delbert Dean Buller, born October 18, 1932 at Manter, Kansas.
2. Roland Ray Buller, born May 10, 1934 at Manter, Kansas.
3. Donald Wayne Buller, born May 3, 1936 at Halstead, Kansas.

Fifth Generation

Sylvia E. Buller was married April 1, 1934 to Jonas D. Koehn, born April 15, 1908, son of Daniel and Helena (Boese) Koehn. Their present address is Elyria, Kansas.

They have a daughter:

1. Elda Faye Koehn, born January 17, 1935.

Fifth Generation

Iva Buller was married June 28, 1936 to Harry Unruh, born March 28, 1911, son of Abraham and Elizabeth (Wenger) Unruh.

Farmer. Hesston, Kansas. Church of God in Christ, Mennonite.

Fourth Generation

Ella Koehn was married November 29, 1916 to Reuben

Jantz, born August 12, 1885, son of Tobias and Lena (Wadel) Jantz.

Farmer and carpenter. Cimarron, Gray County, Kansas.

Children:

1. Anna Mae Jantz, born October 10, 1917.
2. Dalas Delbert Jantz, born November 23, 1918.
3. Millard George Jantz, born September 28, 1920.
4. Francis Loyd Jantz, born December 27, 1921.
5. Leo Leander Jantz, born December 27, 1924.

Fourth Generation

Helena Koehn was married June 14, 1914 to Andrew Wadel, son of David and Elizabeth (Unruh) Wadel. He was born February 25, 1866 in Russia, and died August 7, 1932.

Farmer. Greensburg, Kansas. Church of God in Christ, Mennonite.

Children:

1. Lester Wadel, born March 2, 1915.
2. Jessie Wadel, born September 9, 1916.
3. Andrew Wadel, Jr., born November 12, 1917.
4. Frank Wadel, born June 4, 1919.

Fourth Generation

Eva Koehn was married December 15, 1910 to Jacob B. Jantz, born January 21, 1890, son of Benjamin and Anna (Jantz) Jantz. He died December 28, 1918.

Farmer.

Children:

1. Harry James Jantz, born September 20, 1911.
2. Lynes Sylvester Jantz, born December 11, 1912.
3. Virgia Ladean Jantz, born June 16, 1914.
4. Lena Adiline Jantz, born March 21, 1916.
5. Benjamin Franklin Jantz, born January 1, 1918.

Eva Koehn was married the second time December 12, 1925 to Clyde A. Falkner, who was born June 6, 1889.

Carpenter. Dodge City, Kansas.

Fifth Generation

Lynes Sylvester Jantz was married January 12, 1934 to Katie Dirks, born March 30, 1910, daughter of Enoch and Hannah (Koehn) Dirks.

Farmer. Tampa, Marion County, Kansas.

Fourth Generation

Abraham H. Koehn was married October 16, 1912 to Matilda Schultz, born October 8, 1888 in Russia, daughter of Peter and Carrie (Schneider) Schultz.

Laborer. Cimarron, Kansas.

Children:

1. Evelyn Koehn, born October 25, 1914.
2. Forrest Koehn, born October 16, 1916.
3. Henry Leslie Koehn, born December 3, 1917.
4. Agnes Koehn, born December 29, 1919.
5. Julia Mae Koehn, born August 19, 1921.
6. Elsie Jane Koehn, born September 19, 1923.
7. Elizabeth Koehn, born June 24, 1925.
8. Ivan Lee Koehn, born February 3, 1928; died July 16, 1928. Aged 5 months, 13 days.
9. Margie Louisa Koehn, born November 16, 1930.
10. Doris Malee Koehn, born October 18, 1933.

Fourth Generation

David Koehn was married December 25, 1915 to Bertha Schmidt, born July 11, 1894, daughter of Benjamin and Lena (Unruh) Schmidt.

Dry Fruit Packing. Winton, California.

Children:

1. Bina Mae Koehn, born November 22, 1916 in Kansas.
2. Dorothy Minta Koehn, born January 17, 1919 in Kansas.
3. Elsie Marcile Koehn, born August 24, 1921 in Kansas.
4. Homer Roy Koehn, born September 16, 1923 in California.
5. Lila June Koehn, born December 25, 1924 in California.
6. Ervie Lee Koehn, born April 1, 1927 in California.
7. Frank Charles Koehn, born June 14, 1929 in California.
8. Betty Lue Koehn, born September 7, 1931.

Fourth Generation

Simon H. Koehn was married March 21, 1917 to Eva Ratzlaff, born July 13, 1897, daughter of Henry and Mary (Schmidt) Ratzlaff.

Farmer. Horace, Kansas.

Children:

1. Vernon Koehn, born June 5, 1918.
2. Eddman Koehn, born August 1, 1919.
3. Earl Koehn, born December 4, 1920.

4. Freda Koehn, born June 13, 1922.
5. Ralph Koehn, born November 26, 1923.
6. Thomas Koehn, born June 18, 1925.
7. Norma Jean Koehn, born September 28, 1926.
8. Donald Koehn, born May 11, 1928.
9. Robert Koehn, born November 26, 1929.

Fourth Generation

Jessie H. Koehn was married August 15, 1920 to Katie Boehs, born June 15, 1896, daughter of Benjamin and Lena (Koehn) Boehs.

Farmer. Cimarron, Kansas.

Children:

1. Shirley Mae Koehn, born August 16, 1922.
2. Bobetta Omega Koehn, born August 26, 1923.
3. Josie Jane Koehn, born October 24, 1924; died the same day.
4. Romana Malee Koehn, born January 1, 1925.
5. Olive Lavon Koehn, born May 27, 1927; died July 28, 1931. Aged 4 years, 2 months, 1 day.
6. Jesse Marion Koehn, born May 15, 1928.
7. Harold Lee Koehn, born February 20, 1930.
8. Jeanette Rae Koehn, born May 30, 1932.
9. Floyd Linton Koehn, born July 14, 1933.

Fourth Generation

Carrie Koehn was married November 19, 1913 to John J. Jantz, born January 9, 1884, son of Jacob and Katherine (Wedel) Jantz.

Farmer. Menno, Oklahoma. General Conference Mennonite.

1. David D. Jantz, born May 24, 1915.
2. Edna Matilda Jantz, born June 25, 1917.
3. Lena Mae Jantz, born September 12, 1918.
4. Joseph H. Jantz, born March 20, 1920.
5. Mary Ann Jantz, born May 15, 1921.
6. Paul William Jantz, born October 12, 1922.
7. Dorothy Hannah Jantz, born July 14, 1924.
8. Catharine Irene Jantz, born March 23, 1926.
9. Benjamin Lee Jantz, born March 7, 1928; died May, 1928.

Fourth Generation

Dora Koehn was married November 19, 1928 to Walter

John Sloman, born October 15, 1905 in Iowa, son of John Sloman.

Painter and Paper Hanger, 2408 Charlotte Street, Kansas City, Missouri.

Children:

1. Betty Jean Sloman, born January 11, 1925.
2. Walter John Sloman, Jr., born May 18, 1929.

Fourth Generation

William H. Koehn was married November 17, 1922 to Edna Luella McKittrick, born December 4, 1905, daughter of Edward and Alice (Miller) McKittrick. She died January 23, 1933, aged 27 years, 1 month, 19 days.

To this union was born:

1. Frank Elmer Koehn, born October 14, 1923.

William H. Koehn was married the second time December 27, 1927 to Lauraine Tina Becker, born September 1, 1909, daughter of Peter and Helena (Unruh) Becker. He is a farmer and musician, and had lived for a time at Town-er, Colorado, but his present address is Halstead, Kansas.

Children:

1. Billie Elaine Koehn, born August 8, 1928; died the same day.
2. Innes Lee Koehn, born July 13, 1929.
3. Glenn Dale Koehn, born December 25, 1930.
4. Wayne Dean Koehn, born December 27, 1932.

Third Generation

Susannah Holdeman was married February 5, 1882 to Samuel K. Pletcher, born November 6, 1857 in Ohio, son of Henry and Esther (Schrock) Pletcher. After marriage they lived on a farm near Newton, Kansas, and later on a cattle ranch near Peabody. They then lived in the town of Marion, Kansas, about ten years, after which they removed to Newton, Kansas, where Samuel Pletcher died April 3, 1910; aged 50 years, 4 months, 9 days. He was a member of the Baptist Church, and she belonged to Holiness Church.

Children:

1. Ida Pletcher, born January 21, 1883.
2. Nellie Pletcher, born December 6, 1884. Single.
3. Rhoda Pletcher, born April 21, 1886; died June 13, 1936. Aged 50 years, 1 month, 22 days.
4. Naomi Pletcher, born March 22, 1888.

5. Frances Pletcher, born December 15, 1889.
6. Bessie Pletcher, born September 29, 1891.
7. Roy Pletcher, born October 6, 1893.
8. Paul Pletcher, born January 2, 1896.
9. Lorena Pletcher, born February 4, 1898.
10. Flossie Lucille Pletcher, born October 5, 1900.
11. Alta Mae Pletcher, born October 15, 1902.
12. Lillian Pletcher, born November 16, 1904; died March 17, 1931. Aged 26 years, 4 months, 1 day.

Fourth Generation

Ida Pletcher was married October 10, 1906 to Joseph L. Byler, born April 13, 1878, son of Eli and Mary (Yoder) Byler.

Carpenter. Wellington, Kansas. Nazarene Church.

Children:

1. Ruth Gladys Byler, born October 13, 1907.
2. Dorothy Abby Byler, born February 17, 1910.
3. Joseph Lawrence Byler, born November 26, 1917.

Fifth Generation

Dorothy A. Byler was married November 17, 1934 to John M. Stahly, born February 4, 1912, son of Alfred and Amanda Elizabeth (Lantz) Stahly.

Farmer. Newton, Kansas.

A daughter was born:

1. Ruth Ann Stahley, born April 29, 1936.

Fifth Generation

Joseph Lawrence Byler was married September 21, 1935 to Wilma Blend Meyer, born June 13, 1916, daughter of Jacob S. and Ollie Mae (Spear) Meyer. He is employed by a Ford Service station, and they live in Wellington, Kansas.

Fourth Generation

Rhoda Pletcher was married February 5, 1905 in Kansas to Jairus Judson Ritter, born August 17, 1878. He was a barber in Wakarusa, Indiana, where they lived most of their lives, although after their marriage they had spent four years in Newton, Kansas.

One son was born:

1. Frank Harold Ritter, born September 28, 1907; died March 23, 1933. Aged 25 years, 5 months, 25 days.

Fifth Generation

Frank Harold Ritter was married May 25, 1926 to Nina Kimble. He was a barber in Wakarusa, Indiana.

One daughter was born:

1. Beverly Joan Ritter, born December 10, 1928.

Fourth Generation

Naomi Pletcher was married September 7, 1910 to Gerdt Hiram Buss, born December 31, 1888, son of Hiram George and Hilka (Rosendale) Buss. They live on a farm near Piedmont, Kansas.

Children:

1. Evelyn Lucille Buss, born June 21, 1911.
2. Raymond Kenneth Buss, born August 14, 1913.
3. Margaret Lorene Buss, born January 13, 1916; died October 3, 1918.
4. Paul Judson Buss, born March 9, 1920.

Fifth Generation

Evelyn Lucille Buss was married to Murray.

One daughter was born:

1. Virginia May Murray Scott, born February 5, 1928.

Evelyn Lucille Buss was married August 1, 1929 to Jasper Levi Scott, born August 13, 1905, son of George and Rosa Frances (Glass) Scott. He is employed by the Sante Fe R. R.

Fourth Generation

Frances Pletcher was married February 4, 1910 to Henry Howard Corbin, born September 24, 1884, son of John Newton and Adelaide (Prentiss) Corbin.

Express messenger. 1124 Walnut St., Newton, Kansas. Mennonite.

Children:

1. Howard Newton Corbin, born January 30, 1911; died December 30, 1933. Aged 22 years, 11 months.
2. Martha Jane Corbin, born August 23, 1922.

Fourth Generation

Bessie Pletcher was married May 1, 1909 to William Carl Alumbaugh, born August 20, 1891 at Lyndon, Kansas, son of William Hardin and Elizabeth (Parr) Alumbaugh. He is a heat treating foreman and they live in Detroit, Michigan.

Children:

1. Madge Berdine Alumbaugh, born August 18, 1910.
2. Max Kieth Alumbaugh, born August 7, 1912.
3. Hazel June Alumbaugh, born June 23, 1917.

Fifth Generation

Madge Berdine Alumbaugh was married August 3, 1929 to Wayne Alden Husted, born June 18, 1909 at Lapeer, Michigan, son of Percy Edward and Elizabeth Pearl (De-Groat) Husted. They live at 128 W. Colgate St., Pontiac, Michigan.

Children, born in Pontiac, Michigan:

1. Faith Elizabeth Husted, born September 30, 1931.
2. Carl Edward Husted, born February 17, 1933.

Fifth Generation

Max Kieth Alumbaugh was married January 27, 1935 to Marion Edna Yockey, born February 14, 1918 in Detroit, Michigan, daughter of Lester James and Blanch Linda (Manuel) Yockey. He is at present a gasoline station manager, and they live at 120 Parkhurst W., Detroit, Michigan.

Fifth Generation

Hazel June Alumbaugh was married September 11, 1935 to Charles Pierce Wilfong, born July 21, 1917, son of Sidney Pierce and Jessie (Becraft) Wilfong. He is a file clerk and they live at 17 Allison St., Pontiac, Michigan.

They have a daughter, born at Pontiac, Michigan.

1. Joan Berdine Wilfong, born August 13, 1936.

Fourth Generation

Roy Pletcher was married February 4, 1922 to Beulah Bell Smetzer, born May 29, 1895, daughter of Edward Joseph and Charlotte Bell (Hildreth) Smetzer.

Auto parts dealer, 520 W. 6th St., Newton, Kansas. Baptist.

Children:

1. Billy Pletcher, born November 11, 1931; died November 11, 1931.
2. Della Mae Pletcher, born March 18, 1934.

Roy Pletcher was married to Gladys Paxton.

Children:

1. Wesley Paxton Pletcher, born December 5, 1913.
2. Leonard Thurlow Pletcher, born April 21, 1915.

Fourth Generation

Paul Pletcher was married August 19, 1920 to Mary Magdalena Higgins, born October 1, 1903, daughter of Moses and Amanda (Pully) Higgins. He is employed by a

lumber company, and they live at 523 W. 9th St., Newton, Kansas.

Children :

1. Alice Jane Pletcher, born August 23, 1933; died August 23, 1933.
2. Shirley Ann Pletcher, born October 30, 1934.
3. Marilyn Dee Pletcher, born November 4, 1935.

Fourth Generation

Lorena Pletcher was married October 22, 1918 to Frank L. McDaniel, born September 15, 1894, son of Henry Sherman and Mary A. (Chevraux) McDaniel. She lives at 327 W. 12th St., Newton, Kansas.

Children :

1. Frances Lorena McDaniel, born December 7, 1919.
2. Rex Sherman McDaniel, born February 8, 1921.
3. Max Eugene McDaniel, born January 11, 1927.

Fourth Generation

Flossie Lucille Pletcher was married September 27, 1920 to Emmett Edwin Smith, born May 17, 1898, son of Frank L. and Anna Margaret (Miller) Smith. He is check clerk for the Santa Fe R. R. They live at 513 E. 1st St., Newton, Kansas.

Children :

1. Jack Edwin Smith, born July 20, 1921.
2. Robert Leslie Smith, born August 4, 1923.
3. Betty Lucille Smith, born January 19, 1926.
4. Norris Eugene Smith, born August 14, 1934.

Fourth Generation

Alta Mae Pletcher was married May 13, 1921 to Lucien B. Wright, born November 24, 1892. He died May 10, 1931. They lived at 414 E. Euclid Ave., San Antonio, Texas.

Alta Mae Pletcher was married to John R. Miller. Their address is Atascora, Texas, R. 1.

Fourth Generation

Lillian Pletcher was married August 21, 1925 to Clarence L. Welch.

Third Generation

Jonas Holdeman was married September 14, 1887 to Sarah Overholt, born August 19, 1870 in Medina County, Ohio, daughter of Manassah and Mary (Berkey) Overholt. She died November 17, 1890, aged 30 years, 2 months, 28 days. They lived near Hesston, Kansas, where Jonas

Holdeman was a farmer and veterinarian. He was converted in 1891 and united with the Church of God in Christ, Mennonite. On the evening before his death, which took place in the Bethel Hospital, Newton, Kansas, he was driving home from Hesston; his horse became frightened, threw him out, and he never regained consciousness.

Children:

1. Ida Holdeman, born May 15, 1889.
2. Isaiah Holdeman, born October 31, 1890; died March 16, 1892. Aged 1 year, 4 months, 15 days.

Jonas Holdeman was married the second time May 28, 1892 to Anna Blosser, born November 1, 1868 in Livingston County, Illinois, daughter of Abraham M. and Mary (Grabill) Blosser. She died August 17, 1928, aged 59 years, 9 months, 16 days.

Children:

1. Sarah Holdeman, born March 28, 1893.
2. Walter Holdeman, born March 28, 1895.
3. Hattie Holdeman, born April 25, 1897.
4. Roy B. Holdeman, born July 8, 1899.
5. Etta Holdeman, born February 6, 1902; died February 20, 1922. Aged 20 years, 14 days.
6. Florence Holdeman, born April 11, 1907.
7. Ralph Holdeman, born August 26, 1909.

Fourth Generation

Ida Holdeman was married May 3, 1908 to Noah Wiggers, born March 16, 1887, son of Fred and Katie (Schmidt) Wiggers. They live on a farm near Hesston, Kansas, and are members of the Church of God in Christ, Mennonite.

Children:

1. Ernest Frank Wiggers, born January 25, 1909.
2. Gladys Ruth Wiggers, born January 29, 1910.
3. Earl Ivan Wiggers, born April 28, 1911.
4. Wayne Willard Wiggers, born December 1, 1912.
5. Orville Eugene Wiggers, born August 8, 1913.
6. Ethel June Wiggers, born February 17, 1917.
7. Virgil LeRoy Wiggers, born July 12, 1926.
8. Vera Bell Wiggers, born December 29, 1930.

Fifth Generation

Ernest Frank Wiggers was married April 30, 1933 to Leona Unruh, born May 6, 1907, daughter of Levi and Milly (Johnson) Unruh. He is a minister, Church of God

in Christ, Mennonite, and lives on a farm near Moundridge, Kansas. His ordination to the ministry of the Gospel occurred April 24, 1932.

Children:

1. Melvin Wayne Wiggers, born February 23, 1934.
2. Vernon Lee Wiggers, born May 17, 1935.

Fifth Generation

Gladys Ruth Wiggers was married August 17, 1930 to Clarence Schneider, born March 2, 1908, son of William and Mary (Jantz) Schneider.

Farmer. Moundridge, Kansas. Church of God in Christ, Mennonite.

Children:

1. Clara Bell Schneider, born December 14, 1931.
2. Gladene Ruth Schneider, born November 12, 1934.

Fourth Generation

Sarah Holdeman was married March 10, 1930 to Abraham Unruh, born February 10, 1884, son of Peter and Susanna (Koehn) Unruh.

Farmer, Moundridge, Kansas. Church of God in Christ, Mennonite.

Children:

1. Chester Lee Unruh, born October 23, 1932.
2. Russell Ivan Unruh, born October 2, 1935.

Fourth Generation

Walter Holdeman was married September 16, 1922 to Gertrude Hepler, born September 19, 1897, daughter of Andrew and Mary Alice (Klock) Hepler.

Farmer. Hesston, Kansas.

Children:

1. Mary Alice Holdeman, born August 26, 1923; died August 26, 1923.
2. Glen Orville Holdeman, born November 5, 1924.
3. Wilma May Holdeman, born April 25, 1926.
4. Earl Fred Holdeman, born July 30, 1928.
5. Thelma Jean Holdeman, born November 14, 1929.

Fourth Generation

Hattie Holdeman was married September 1, 1921 to Perley E. Onstott, born May 17, 1878, son of William and Symphia Ann (Barker) Onstott.

Farmer. Newton, Kansas. Methodist.

Children :

1. William Gerald Onstott, born April 25, 1923.
2. Lois Mae Onstott, born March 5, 1927.

Fourth Generation

Roy B. Holdeman was married June 7, 1922 to Nellie McDaniels, born September 21, 1903, daughter of Ernest and Mary (Dyer) McDaniels.

Laborer. Newton, Kansas. Baptist.

Children :

1. Mary Anna Holdeman, born June 21, 1923.
2. Roy Eugene Holdeman, born July 16, 1926.
3. Bonnie Lee Holdeman, born December 31, 1927.

Fifth Generation

Florence Holdeman was married March 6, 1927 to Daniel G. Boeckner, born June 14, 1905, son of John and Sarah (Yost) Boeckner.

Farmer. Moundridge, Kansas. Mennonite.

Children :

1. Wilbur Kenneth Boeckner, born May 8, 1928.
2. Virginia Mae Boeckner, born March 10, 1932.
3. Alton Dean Boeckner, born February 3, 1935.

Fifth Generation

Ralph Holdeman was married December 10, 1935 to Marvel Dahlstrom, born April 30, 1909, daughter of Carl and Alyce (Joymes) Dahlstrom.

Third Generation

Frank Holdeman was married June 3, 1906 to Emma Overholt, daughter of Manassah and Mary (Berkey) Overholt. She was born May 18, 1878 in Medina County, Ohio, and died June 23, 1918 in McPherson County, Kansas. Frank Holdeman lives on the old David S. Holdeman homestead and follows the occupation of farming. After the death of his brother, Jonas, he took up by request veterinary work and practices it at the present time. He and his family are members of the Church of God in Christ, Mennonite.

To this union were born nine children :

1. Noah O. Holdeman, born February 20, 1907.
2. Silva Mary Holdeman, born April 8, 1908.
3. Lee August Holdeman, born August 24, 1909.
4. Archie Dunlap Holdeman, born November 23, 1910.
5. Dorothy Clara Holdeman, born August 11, 1912.

6. Nina Ruth Holdeman, born March 21, 1914.
7. Adin Frank Holdeman, born December 15, 1915.
8. Willard Eli Holdeman, born June 20, 1918.
9. Wilford Levi Holdeman, born June 20, 1918.

The above children were all born in McPherson County, Kansas and are all members of the Church of God in Christ, Mennonite. Frank Holdeman was married August 8, 1920 to his first wife's sister, Fanny Overholt. She was born July 22, 1880 in Newton, Harvey County, Kansas, and was a nurse. She is skilled in the treatment of diseases.

To this union were born:

1. Emma Sarept Holdeman, born January 26, 1922.
2. Twila Mae Holdeman, born February 26, 1923.

Fourth Generation

Noah O. Holdeman was married January 6, 1931 to Dessie Belle Unruh, born March 12, 1909, daughter of Levi T. and Anna (Johnson) Unruh. They were married at Ithaca, Gratiot County, Michigan, where they live on a farm and are members of the Church of God in Christ, Mennonite.

Children:

1. Duane Adin Holdeman, born December 22, 1931.
2. Robert Lee Holdeman, born December 31, 1932.
3. Maynard Lowell Holdeman, born December 31, 1933.

Fourth Generation

Lee August Holdeman was married January 18, 1935 to Elnora Burns, born October 31, 1911, daughter of John W. and Isabelle (Pinkerton) Burns.

Farmer. Hesston, Harvey County, Kansas. Church of God in Christ, Mennonite.

They have a daughter:

1. Beverly Loree Holdeman, born March 23, 1936.

Fourth Generation

Archie Dunlap Holdeman was married January 19, 1936 to Velma Koehn, born December 29, 1915 at Galva, Kansas, daughter of Simon C. and Eva (Unruh) Koehn. They live on a farm near Hesston, Harvey County, Kansas. Church of God in Christ, Mennonite.

JOHN HOLDEMAN FAMILY

Second Generation

JOHN HOLDEMAN was married December 16, 1847 in Wayne County, Ohio to Hetty Eicher, born April 1, 1829, daughter of Daniel and Mary M. (Stuckschleger) Eicher. She died August 22, 1885, aged 56 years, 4 months, 21 days.

In 1849 John Holdeman with his wife and oldest daughter, who was more than a year old, came to Elkhart County, Indiana, accompanied by his mother and younger brother and sister. They came in a covered wagon, and John purchased land northwest of Salem, now Wakarusa. On November 8, 1853 John and Hetty Holdeman paid to George and Sophia Beach \$130 for the northwest quarter of the southeast quarter of section twenty-seven in township thirty-six (Olive). On May 20, 1853 John Holdeman purchased from George and Sophia T. Beach of Hartford, Connecticut, for \$260 the west half of the southwest quarter of section twenty-two in township thirty-six (Olive), and on November 8, 1853 he paid George and Sophia T. Beach \$130 for the northwest quarter of the southeast quarter of section twenty-seven in township thirty-six. He sold to Samuel Sites for \$450 on September 1, 1855 the northwest quarter of section twenty-seven in Olive Township, and on October 11, 1858 purchased from David Eicher for \$300 the west half of the northeast quarter of section twenty-seven in Olive Township.

John Holdeman was a farmer and carpenter. He was considered a good carpenter, and built a number of barns. His last purchased farm was located just north of the Holdeman church house. The house where he lived was built in 1872, and the barn in 1875.

Toward the completion of the Civil War, he was drafted and entered the army at Kendallville, Indiana on January 3, 1865. He was a member of Company I, 29th Regiment of the Indiana Infantry. He was discharged December 2, 1865, and had not participated in actual fighting. He was a member of the Mennonite Church, and was one of the two



John Holdeman and Susannah (Baker) Holdeman

first trustees of the Holdeman congregation. After the death of his first wife, he sold his farm.

John Holdeman was married the second time March 7, 1886 to Susannah Baker Boyer, born October 24, 1834. She died March 28, 1904. On March 11, 1886, four days after his second marriage, they moved to Clinton Township, east of Goshen, where he purchased a farm. After living east of Goshen several years, they sold the farm there, and moved to his wife's farm southwest of South Bend near where Samuel Yoder lived. After living there a few years, they returned and located northeast of Goshen where he died on November 10, 1894.

The following children were born to John and Hettie (Eicher) Holdeman:

1. Christiana Holdeman, born October 21, 1848; died October 7, 1908. Aged 59 years, 11 months, 16 days.
2. Hannah Holdeman, born November 16, 1850; died May 8, 1869. Aged 18 years, 5 months, 22 days.
3. Aaron Holdeman, born March 25, 1853; died February 13, 1918. Aged 64 years, 10 months, 18 days.
4. Tobias Holdeman, born March 20, 1855; died October 19, 1928. Aged 73 years, 6 months, 29 days.
5. Isaac Holdeman, born August 7, 1857; died March 28, 1918. Aged 60 years, 7 months, and 21 days.
6. Peter Holdeman, born July 15, 1859; died April 22, 1911. Aged 51 years, 9 months, 7 days.
7. Catherine Holdeman, born June 30, 1861.
8. Mary Holdeman, born October 15, 1863; died December 19, 1934. Aged 71 years, 2 months, 4 days.
9. Frederick Holdeman, born August 9, 1867; died February 5, 1929. Aged 61 years, 5 months, 26 days.
10. Albert Holdeman, born June 20, 1869.
11. Harvey Holdeman, born January 12, 1874, died May 22, 1890. Aged 16 years, 4 months, 10 days.

Third Generation

Christiana Holdeman was married March 15, 1868 to David Harrington, born March 27, 1844 in Waterloo County, Ontario, 200 miles east of Detroit, son of John C. and Mary (Colosky) Harrington, who were both born in Lancaster County, Pa.

David Harrington came to Olive Township, Elkhart County, Indiana, when eighteen years of age, and two

months later, on August 10, 1862, enlisted in Company G, 74th Regiment Indiana Volunteer Infantry. In three years of army service, he was never wounded nor ill, did not miss a day at active duty, and was captured only once, at Cheraw, South Carolina, March 2, 1865. Of the men captured, he alone escaped and returned to the army. He was in the battle of Chickamauga, and was with Sherman on his march to the sea. Most of his time while in service was spent in Georgia and Tennessee. He returned in June, 1865.

After his return he was a brakeman on the railroad seven years; then he purchased a farm two miles west and one-fourth south of Wakarusa where he lived through most of the remaining years of his life.

David Harrington was the last of the Civil War veterans in the Wakarusa community to pass away. He was a fluent speaker, possessed a retentive memory, and in his last years was in constant demand for patriotic addresses in various towns of northern Indiana. At the time of his death he was president of the G. A. R. of Elkhart County, and of the thirteenth congressional district of Indiana, and was an official in the National Encampment of the G. A. R.

He won renown as a fisherman, and held records for bass caught in Indiana, Michigan, and Minnesota. He knew the habits and characteristics of fish and succeeded in getting them to bite where others failed.

He died May 12, 1936 at the age of 92 years, 1 month, and 15 days. For more than half a century he had been a member of the First Evangelical Church of Elkhart.

To David Harrington and Christiana Holdeman were born:

1. Lydia Harrington, born May 22, 1869; died April 30, 1873. Aged 3 years, 11 months, 8 days.
2. Lusetta Harrington, born January 9, 1874; died August 2, 1874.
3. Emma Harrington, born December 29, 1871; died April 8, 1925. Aged 53 years, 3 months, 9 days.
4. Hannah Harrington, born August 5, 1876.
5. Hovey Harrington, born August 31, 1888.
6. Zuleka Harrington, born April 11, 1891.

David Harrington was married the second time March 17, 1913 to Catharine Wadel, who was born August 8, 1857 and died February 1, 1932.

Fourth Generation

Emma Harrington was married July 4, 1895 to George J. Smith, a music teacher, who was born February 22, 1872. Emma Harrington was a public school teacher in schools near Wakarusa, Indiana. The Holdeman School was one of the schools in which she taught. After her marriage they lived in Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Fourth Generation

Hannah Harrington was married March, 1896 to Reuben Billman, son of Charles and Mary (Kime) Billman. They lived on the old Billman farm two miles west of Wakarusa until about 1908, when they moved to Niles, Michigan, where he was employed on the railroad. He was for a time inspector of freight cars, then of passenger coaches, and had various other railroad jobs. They now live on their 114 acre farm four miles east of Niles, Michigan on the Edwardsburg road, and follow the occupation of farming.

Children:

1. Hulda Billman, born July 19, 1897.
2. Gertrude Billman, born March 10, 1900.

Fifth Generation

Hulda Billman was married March 5, 1917 to John Eshleman, born March 5, 1888 in Bremen, Indiana, son of Daniel and Phillipina (Mattern) Eshleman. He was a lawyer, and had lived in Wakarusa, Indiana.

One daughter was born:

1. Frances Eshleman, born November 7, 1917.

Hulda Billman was married the second time November 7, 1931 to Raymond W. Ketley, who is a master mechanic in the navy.

Fifth Generation

Gertrude Billman was married June 27, 1920 to James Davis. They live on a farm near Jackson, Michigan.

To them was born:

1. Shona Davis, born January 16, 1922; died September 21, 1933. Aged 11 years, 8 months, 5 days.

Fourth Generation

Hovey Harrington was married April 15, 1911 to Audrey Crume, born March 7, 1894, daughter of John Henry and Sarah Elizabeth (Mawhorter) Crume. Hovey Harrington has been on the railroad since 1909, and is a

conductor. He is also a farmer, and owns a one hundred acre farm four miles north of Goshen, in Jefferson Township, Elkhart County, Indiana. They are affiliated with the Evangelical Church.

Children:

1. George Harrington, born August 9, 1913; died May 25, 1917. Aged 3 years, 9 months, 16 days.
2. Audrey June Harrington, born June 23, 1920.
3. Paul Harrington, born August 12, 1923.

Audrey and Paul both have had training in music, and Audrey is a student at Goshen College.

Fourth Generation

Zuleka Harrington was married May 6, 1922 to Arnold Anderson. He was born November 5, 1894 and died April 9, 1935.

Laborer. Minneapolis, Minn. Baptist.

To them was born:

1. Joy Anderson, born October 13, 1926.

Third Generation

Aaron Holdeman was married October 27, 1878 to Laura Ellen Parcell, born December 11, 1857, daughter of John and Mary (Tintsman) Parcell. She died July 16, 1935 at the age of 77 years, 7 months, 5 days. He was a farmer near Wakarusa, Indiana; later he moved into the town and was a teamster. They were members of the Mennonite Brethren in Christ Church.

Children:

1. Esta May Holdeman, born March 7, 1880; died August 10, 1905. Aged 25 years, 5 months, 3 days.
2. Austin Ray Holdeman, born November 25, 1889.

Fourth Generation

Esta May Holdeman was married June 12, 1898 to Oliver Waterman, son of John S. and Elizabeth (Osborne) Waterman. He was born April 14, 1880, and died September 20, 1932; aged 52 years, 5 months, 6 days.

Farmer. Goshen, Indiana.

Two daughters were born:

1. Ruth Ellen Waterman, born February 1, 1900.
2. Gladys Elizabeth Waterman, born January 26, 1902.

Fifth Generation

Ruth Ellen Waterman was married July 3, 1926 to Gor-

don B. Kemble, born June 5, 1903 in Mishawaka, Indiana, son of Delbert and Bess (Anderson) Kemble. Gordon B. Kemble, after receiving training at the Missionary Training School in Mishawaka, became a minister in the Baptist denomination, entering his first pastorate March 15, 1931 at Lodi, Indiana. He was later pastor at Pimento, Indiana, and from January 6, 1935 to December 24, 1936 was pastor of the Olive Branch Baptist Church at Linton, Indiana. Since the latter date he has been pastor of The First Christian Church in Wakarusa.

Children:

1. Norma Angelin Kemble, born May 22, 1927.
2. Joann Ruth Kemble, born November 21, 1929.
3. Marilyn Rose Kemble, born August 13, 1931.
4. Carolyn Jeane Kemble, born November 10, 1932.
5. Donna Grace Kemble, born February 15, 1937.

Fifth Generation

Gladys Elizabeth Waterman was married April 10, 1927 to Jerome Albion Nelson.

Laborer. Mishawaka, Indiana. Christian Church.

Children:

1. Louise Jeanette Nelson, born November 11, 1924.
2. Jerome Albion Nelson, Jr., born September 15, 1928.
3. Donna Arlene Nelson, born December 7, 1929; died December 10, 1929.
4. Oliver Loren Nelson, born December 26, 1930.
5. Carrol Ruth Nelson, born October 30, 1932; died October 30, 1932.

Fourth Generation

Austin Ray Holdeman was married February 4, 1911 to Pearl Stewart, born December 19, 1892, daughter of William and Matilda (Carbaugh) Stewart. She was reared by Elmer Lantz and wife, and lived with them from the age of two and one half years until her marriage. Austin Holdeman is a veneer worker, and has been with the Goshen Veneer Company since 1917. They are members of the Mennonite Brethren in Christ Church, and live at 115 Mercer Avenue, Goshen, Indiana.

Children:

1. Paul Arnold Holdeman, born November 30, 1911.
2. Roscoe Ray Holdeman, born January 15, 1913.
3. Augusta May Holdeman, born July 23, 1914.

4. Wanetta Fern Holdeman, born August 9, 1915.
5. Ernest Edward Holdeman, born December 18, 1917.
6. Glendora Belle Holdeman, born February 10, 1922.
7. Laura Eloise Holdeman, born May 20, 1923.
8. Harriet Ellen Holdeman, born August 8, 1925.
9. Marilyn Jo Holdeman, born March 9, 1933.

Fifth Generation

Paul Arnold Holdeman was married December 25, 1935 to Lillian Mae Keyser, born September 4, 1911 in Goshen, Indiana, daughter of Archie L. and Cora (Yoder) Keyser.

Fifth Generation

Roscoe Ray Holdeman was married June 17, 1933 to Ada Amy Cripe, daughter of Seymour and Cargie (Strayer) Cripe.

One son was born:

1. James Ray Holdeman, born March 9, 1935.

Third Generation

Tobias Holdeman was married June 26, 1880 to Ida F. Groves, daughter of Levi and Nancy (Murphy) Groves. She was born November 27, 1862, and died March 6, 1908. He was a day laborer and they lived several miles west of Wakarusa until her death; he then lived with his daughter, Mrs. Lettie Grant, in Nappanee, and later in Elkhart.

Children:

1. Lillian Lettie Holdeman, born June 23, 1883.
2. Audrey Eloise Holdeman, born March 12, 1885; died June 7, 1910. Aged 25 years, 2 months, 25 days.
3. Chester Franklin Holdeman, born January 23, 1887; died April 1, 1908. Aged 21 years, 2 months, 8 days.
4. Harvey Houston Holdeman, born February 2, 1889.
5. Leotis Holdeman, born April 19, 1891.
6. Leonard Leroy Holdeman, born August 1, 1893.
7. Bessie Betsy Holdeman, born August 2, 1895.
8. William Levi Holdeman, born November 7, 1897.
9. Georgiana Holdeman, born December 27, 1902; died December 22,
10. Mable Holdeman, born June 4, 1904.

Fourth Generation

Lillian Lettie Holdeman was married November 20, 1903 to Elmer Grant, son of Russel and Barbara (Laving) Grant. He was born March 26, 1882, and died October 4, 1929. He had been a painter and decorator. She is a mem-

ber of the First Brethren Church, and lives in Elkhart, Indiana. They had lived in Nappanee until 1923 when they moved to Elkhart.

Children:

1. Hazel Gertrude Grant, born May 20, 1904.
2. Helen Grant, born January 25, 1906.
3. James Franklin Grant, born April 25, 1907; died November 19, 1933.
4. Georgia Grant, born May 8, 1908.
5. Russell Grant, born March 20, 1910; died August 7, 1910.
6. Arthur Grant, born November 18, 1912.
7. Harold Lamar Grant, born August 18, 1914.
8. Lucille Grant, born June 10, 1916; died August 10, 1916.
9. Glenn Grant, born August 6, 1917.
10. Josephine Ione Grant, born September 6, 1918.
11. Richard Grant, born October 8, 1920; died March 26, 1921.
12. Barbara Jane Grant, born January 27, 1922.
13. Isabelle Grant, born October 5, 1923.

The above were all born in Nappanee, Indiana, excepting Arthur who was born in Wakarusa, and Isabelle who was born in Elkhart.

Fifth Generation

Hazel Gertrude Grant was married December 23, 1922 to Devon Richmond, born June 26, 1904 in Nappanee, Indiana, son of Byron and Margaret (Peters) Richmond. He is inspector and assembler at the Mutschler Bros. Furniture Factory in Nappanee where they live. They are affiliated with the Progressive Brethren.

Children:

1. Norma Jean Richmond, born January 10, 1927.
2. James Lee Richmond, born January 27, 1933; died February 1, 1933.
3. Patricia Ann Richmond, born July 14, 1934.

Fifth Generation

Helen Grant was married April 19, 1924 to Harold Bartman, born June 30, 1905, son of Ole and Oagat (Christionson) Bartman, who were of Norwegian descent. They live in Nappanee, Indiana, and he is a shipping clerk at the Mutschler Bros. Furniture Factory. Progressive Brethren.

Children:

1. Harold Bartman, Jr., born February 25, 1925.
2. Betty Josephine Bartman, born February 1, 1927.
3. Donald Eugene Bartman, born February 14, 1929.
4. Shirley Ann Bartman, born March 19, 1930.
5. Ruth Arline Bartman, born April 28, 1931.
6. Coleen Louise Bartman, born July 31, 1933.

Fifth Generation

Georgia Grant was married April 18, 1927 to Noah C. Frame, born October 11, 1893 at Wheatfield, Indiana, son of John and Chloe (Van Duse) Frame. They live in Elkhart, Indiana.

Children:

1. Douglas Frame, born January 25, 1930.
2. Virginia Mae Frame, born May 21, 1932.

Fifth Generation

Arthur Grant was married April 25, 1931 to Gertrude Irene Forinash, born March 30, 1913. He is a spout welder, and they live in Goshen, Indiana.

Fifth Generation

Harold L. Grant was married September 14, 1935 to Mildred Lucile Denny, born February 28, 1915 in Kosciusko County, Indiana, daughter of Roy and Mima (Swartz) Denny.

Fourth Generation

Audrey Eloise Holdeman was married at Leesburg, Indiana September 14, 1903 to Earl Buzzard. They had one son:

1. Rufus Wilbur Buzzard, born April 17, 1904; died May 9, 1924. Aged 20 years, 22 days.

Rufus Wilbur Buzzard became the adopted son of Blanche Holdeman Dunmire, after Audrey Holdeman and Earl Buzzard were separated in 1905. Audrey lived in Nappanee and in 1908, two years before her death, she married Edward J. Yoder, son of Jacob and Susan (Stull) Yoder.

Fourth Generation

Harvey H. Holdeman was married to Blanche Clark. He had been a glass blower, but is now a moulder. They live at Marion, Indiana.

Children:

1. Roy Holdeman.

2. Edward Tobias Holdeman.
3. Louise Holdeman.
4. Harry Holdeman.
5. Kenneth Holdeman.
6. Juniata Holdeman.
7. Holdeman.

Fourth Generation

Leotis Holdeman was married November 17, 1911 to Viola May Truex, born May 2, 1897, daughter of Clinton and Cornelia (Robbins) Truex. They had lived in Napanee, Indiana, and were divorced in 1917.

To them were born:

1. Nettie Holdeman.
2. Erma Holdeman.

Leotis was married the second time to Mercy Clark, a sister of Blanche Clark. He has been a foundry worker in Marion, Indiana.

They have two children:

1. Marion Holdeman, died.
2. Robert Holdeman.

Fourth Generation

Bessie Holdeman was married October 27, 1913 to Thomas E. Connolly, Jr., born January 28, 1891 in Elkhart, Indiana, son of Thomas and Mary N. (Platt) Connolly.

Bessie Holdeman was married the second time to Virgil Lantz.

Boilermaker. Marietta, Illinois.

Fourth Generation

William Levi Holdeman was married February 19, 1920 to Mary Loucks, daughter of Enos and Eliza (Bleile) Loucks. He is a switch tender for the N. Y. C. railroad, and they live at 1432 W. Lusher Avenue, Elkhart, Indiana. He was brought up by David Lechlitner.

Children:

1. Ernest William Holdeman, born October 15, 1920.
2. Berniece Fern Holdeman, born August 3, 1924; died same day.
3. Shirley Marie Holdeman, born June 7, 1929.

Fourth Generation

Mable Holdeman was married September 22, 1921 to Ray Holbrook.

A son was born:

1. Raymond Holbrook, born April 10, 1922. For some years he lived with Mrs. Pearl Lesser of Dubuque, Iowa, and is known as Raymond Lesser.

Mabel Holdeman was married the second time October 22, 1927 to Leo Hailey. He is a burstoner, and they live in Lagrange, Indiana.

Third Generation

Isaac Holdeman was married December 25, 1889 at Harper, Kansas to Sophia Adelida Wisler, born August 4, 1863, daughter of Anthony and Mary (Freed) Wisler. He had gone to Kansas in 1884, and was a farmer near Harper. Sophia Wisler Holdeman died September 18, 1930.

Third Generation

Peter Holdeman was married June 20, 1896 to Mary Blough, born March 11, 1856, daughter of Daniel and Catherine (Kurtz) Blough. She lives in Middlebury, Indiana. Peter Holdeman was born near Wakarusa, and later moved on a farm east of Goshen, Indiana. He was a farmer and a carpenter, and he and his wife were both members of the Mennonite Church.

Third Generation

Catherine Holdeman was married November 15, 1885 to Leander Shaum, born January 1, 1862, son of John and Elizabeth (Smeltzer) Shaum. They lived on their farm one and one-half miles southeast of Wakarusa, Indiana, until they moved into the town of Wakarusa. They are members of the Mennonite Church.

Children:

1. Charles Vernon Shaum, born July 2, 1887; died February 7, 1891. Aged 3 years, 7 months, 5 days.
2. Rufus Shaum, born July 6, 1889; died February 21, 1890.
3. Warren Clifford Shaum, born August 7, 1891.
4. Grace May Shaum, born April 24, 1894. Single.
5. Ralph Ray Shaum, born October 4, 1900.
6. Laura Ellen Shaum, born February 8, 1905.

Fourth Generation

Warren Clifford Shaum was married December 14, 1916 to Amy Valeria Good, born April 27, 1895, daughter of Isaac and Fanny (Musser) Good. They live on the Le-

ander Shaum farm one and one-half miles southeast of Wakarusa. He has served the Mennonite Church in the Holdeman Congregation as a Sunday school superintendent, and on June 28, 1936 was ordained a minister of the Gospel.

Children:

1. Florence Marie Shaum, born December 16, 1917.
2. Valeria Mae Shaum, born September 22, 1921.
3. Elsie Fern Shaum, born November 20, 1928.

Fourth Generation

Ralph Ray Shaum was married March 26, 1925 to Mable M. Hochstetler, born January 2, 1902, daughter of Martin and Eva (Mullett) Hochstetler. They live on a farm two and one-half miles southeast of Wakarusa, Indiana and are members of the Mennonite Church.

Children:

1. Velorous June Shaum, born December 9, 1925.
2. Ruth Eilene Shaum, born December 15, 1928.
3. Carylin Youvonne Shaum, born May 30, 1930.
4. Wayne Alden Shaum, born May 15, 1935.

Fourth Generation

Laura Ellen Shaum was married November 14, 1936 to George V. Smeltzer, born February 14, 1895, son of Samuel and Salome (Burkey) Smeltzer.

Farmer. Elkhart, Indiana. Mennonite.

Third Generation

Mary Holdeman was married July 11, 1886 to David Smeltzer, born December 5, 1863 in Elkhart County, Indiana, son of Henry and Elizabeth (Yoder) Smeltzer. He died December 23, 1936, aged 73 years, 18 days.

Farmer. Wakarusa, Indiana. Mennonite Brethren in Christ.

The lineage of this family you will find in the records of the Margaret Holdeman Yoder family.

Third Generation

Frederick Holdeman was married December 15, 1890 to Jemima Hostetler, daughter of Jacob and Elizabeth (Sunthimer) Hostetler. They live on a farm two miles west of Wakarusa, Indiana, and were members of the Mennonite Brethren in Christ Church. The last few years of his life were spent near Bremen, Indiana.

Children:

1. Harry B. Holdeman, born February 25, 1892.

2. Ruby V. Holdeman, born March 20, 1894.

Jemima (Hostetler) Holdeman died November 24, 1894, and Frederick Holdeman was married the second time August 4, 1900 to Eliza Billman, born November 18, 1884, daughter of Charles and Mary (Kime) Billman.

Children:

1. Rhoda Holdeman, born March 27, 1901.
2. Roscoe Holdeman, born January 21, 1903; died February 10, 1903.
3. Edwin R. Holdeman, born March 19, 1904.
4. Flossa M. Holdeman, born May 23, 1906.
5. Charles J. Holdeman, born April 9, 1908.
6. Lucy E. Holdeman, born November 25, 1912.
7. Melvin Holdeman, born May 9, 1920.
8. Cecil Howard Holdeman, born October 16, 1922.



John Holdeman Homestead.

Fourth Generation

Harry B. Holdeman was married August 9, 1915 to Cora Weldy, born March 6, 1896, daughter of Amos and Amanda (Hartman) Weldy. She died February 6, 1920, aged 23 years, 11 months. He has been for a number of years bookkeeper and automobile salesman at the Eby Auto Sales, Wakarusa, Indiana, and has served as a member of the Wakarusa Town Board. He was for some years a Sunday school superintendent, and is a deacon in the Christian Church at Wakarusa, Indiana, where he lives.

Children:

1. Raymond B. Holdeman, born April 3, 1917; died April 13, 1918.
2. Robert L. Holdeman, born September 1, 1919.

Harry B. Holdeman was married June 2, 1922 to Sarah E. Grove, born January 4, 1901, daughter of George and Christiana (Wisler) Grove.

Children:

1. Ruth E. Holdeman, born April 28, 1923.
2. George L. Holdeman, born May 18, 1925; died December 15, 1927.
3. James V. Holdeman, born April 11, 1929.
4. Stanley Jay Holdeman, born November 30, 1936.

Fourth Generation

Ruby V. Holdeman was married March 21, 1912 to Clyde Brenneman, born October 24, 1892, son of George and Lena (Kehr) Brenneman. He had been a farmer, but now for a number of years an employee of the Wakarusa Milling Company. Ruby (Holdeman) Brenneman has been a clerk in the Wolfberg store of Wakarusa.

Children:

1. Theron T. Brenneman, born February 17, 1914.
2. Clifford Brenneman, born October 19, 1921.

Fourth Generation

Rhoda Holdeman was married June 11, 1919 to Calvin Wise, born March 15, 1900, son of Levi and Catherine (Grunewalt) Wise. He works for the N. Y. C. railroad in their round house in Toledo, Ohio. They are members of the Mennonite Brethren in Christ Church, and live in Wakarusa.

Children:

1. Elma M. Wise, born January 8, 1920.
2. Warren G. Wise, born May 8, 1921; died April 18, 1926.
Aged 4 years, 11 months, 10 days.
3. Ellen M. Wise, born August 14, 1922.
4. Lowell L. Wise, born March 25, 1924.
5. Calvin J. Wise, born July 31, 1925.
6. Devon Leroy Wise, born August 17, 1930.
7. Wayne Edward Wise, born April 4, 1933.

Fourth Generation

Edwin R. Holdeman was married December 22, 1926 to Jewel T. Harney, born June 18, 1900. He is a millwright

and electric welder, and they live in Mishawaka, Indiana.

Children:

1. Edna M. Holdeman, born May 13, 1928.
2. Erma Louisa Holdeman, born July 25, 1929.
3. Eva Doris Holdeman, born June 28, 1930.
4. Warren Louis Holdeman, born October 7, 1931.
5. Esther Irene Holdeman, born September 11, 1932.
6. Elaine Marie Holdeman, born May 15, 1935.

Fourth Generation

Flossa Marie Holdeman was married November 26, 1925 to Robert Warner, born April 17, 1907. They live in Elkhart, Indiana, where he is employed by the Adams-Westlake Co.

Children:

1. Robert Warner, Jr., born September 27, 1926; died June 20, 1932. Aged 5 years, 8 months, 23 days.
2. Gene Lamar Warner, born August 22, 1930.
3. Mary Lou Warner, born January 27, 1934.

Fourth Generation

Charles J. Holdeman was married to Frances Kling. Laborer. Bremen, Indiana.

Children:

1. Betty Jean Holdeman, born June 2, 1933.
2. Edward Eugene Holdeman, born May 9, 1933

Fourth Generation

Lucy E. Holdeman was married July 15, 1931 to Harry Brezger, born February 11, 1905. He had been in the U. S. navy. They now live in Elkhart, Indiana, where he is employed by the Chicago Telephone Supply Co.

Children:

1. Elizabeth Jean Brezger, born June 6, 1932.
2. Lucile Vivian Brezger, born January 19, 1934.

Third Generation

Albert Holdeman was married March 2, 1898 to Rosa Nina McDowell, born March 20, 1879, daughter of Thomas Marion and Sarah Anna (Hait) McDowell. He was a farmer and lived west of Goshen, and later southeast of New Paris. At present he lives in New Paris, Indiana.

Children:

1. Irene Fosta Holdeman, born October 13, 1898.
2. Russel Raymond Holdeman, born June 28, 1900.
3. Ralph Marion Holdeman, born May 8, 1906.

4. J. Olen Holdeman, born December 12, 1907.
5. Alwilda Mae Holdeman, born November 22, 1917.

Russel Raymond Holdeman is unmarried, and is employed by the Goshen Rubber Works.

Alwilda Mae Holdeman has been a student at the Elkhart Business College.

Fourth Generation

Irene Fosta Holdeman was married June 22, 1918 to Henry Claude Elliott, born August 6, 1895 in Lagrange County, Indiana, son of Henry C. and Martha (Miller) Elliott. They live in New Paris, Indiana, and he is a trimmer in a furniture factory.

Children:

1. Robert Elliott, born May 17, 1919.
2. Bernita Elliott, born August 15, 1922.
3. Patricia Elliott, born April 6, 1930.

Fourth Generation

Ralph Marion Holdeman was married January 1, 1933 to Mildred Chrisman, born May 14, 1908, daughter of W. C. and Bertha (Everhock) Chrisman.

Ralph Marion Holdeman is a minister in the Evangelical Church. After studying several years at Goshen College he entered Naperville College at Naperville, Illinois where he received the B. A. degree, and then continued in the Naperville Seminary for the B. D. degree. He began his first regular pastorate at Louisville, Kentucky, in June, 1932, where he is at present pastor of the Trinity Evangelical Church. He had previously been active in the Elkhart County Council of Religious Education, has done considerable work as an artist, and is a contributor to religious periodicals. They live at 3606 Michigan Drive, Louisville, Kentucky.

Fourth Generation

J. Olen Holdeman was married August 14, 1936 to Bernice Edson, born March 30, 1907, daughter of Charles and Mary (Everhock) Edson. They live at 313 Middlebury Street, Goshen, Indiana, where he has been a printer.



SUSANNAH HOLDEMAN LECHLITNER FAMILY

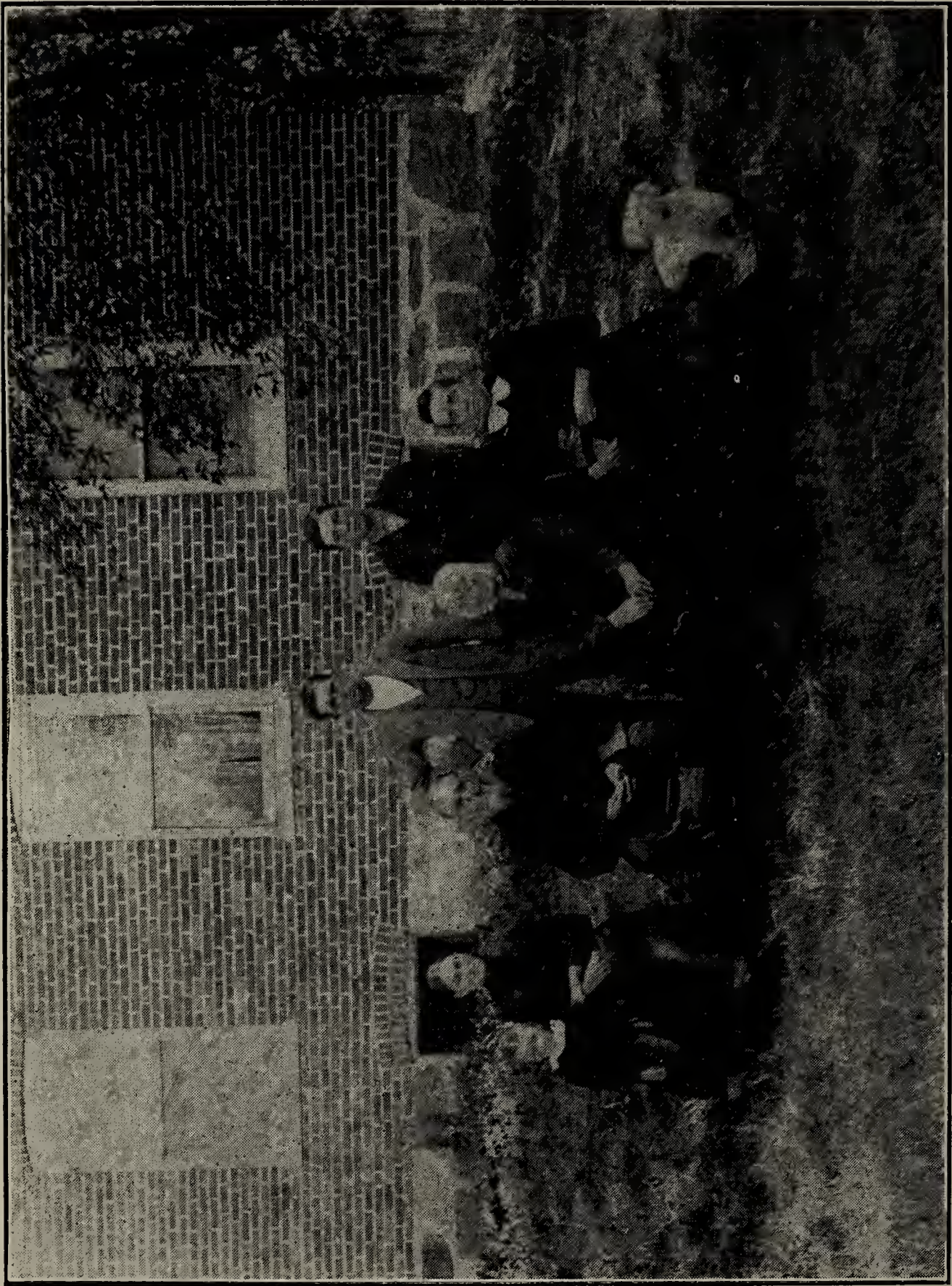
Second Generation

SUSANNAH HOLDEMAN was married March 6, 1851 in Elkhart County, Indiana to David Lechlitner, born February 27, 1828 in Richmond County, Ohio, son of Anthony and Mary (Schuler) Lechlitner. She came in 1849 with her mother and her brothers, John and Abraham, accompanied by her uncle Christian Shaum, to Elkhart County, Indiana. During the two following years she lived with her mother on the farm more recently known as the Irvin Long farm located five miles north of Wakarusa, Indiana.

In 1852 David and Susannah (Holdeman) Lechlitner purchased eighty acres of land one mile west of Wakarusa for three dollars per acre. The road was cut out, but the logs were still in the road, and a wagon path through the woods led to the place. Susannah (Holdeman) Lechlitner was often heard to say that it was more difficult to pay these three dollars than the fifty dollars per acre they paid later for the fifty acres bought last. Between these two purchases they had bought twenty acres, so that they owned one hundred and fifty acres in all. Here they lived and worked together, endured the hardships of pioneer life, and suffered the loss of six of their children. The first corn David Lechlitner raised on this farm he hauled to the house on a wheelbarrow and carried upstairs. In those early years they lived in a log house; when it snowed they arose from bed in the morning, tracked through the snow downstairs, and got the broom to sweep up the snow. They were members of the Holdeman congregation of the Mennonite Church.

David Lechlitner died June 8, 1900, aged 72 years, 3 months, 11 days. He had been a member of the Mennonite Church for forty-five years.

Fifteen children were born to David and Susannah (Holdeman) Lechlitner:



David and Susannah Holdeman Lechlitner

1. Mary Ann Lechlitner, born December 13, 1851; died January 23, 1926. Aged 74 years, 1 month, 10 days.
2. Jacob Lechlitner, born February 3, 1853; died October 14, 1854. Aged 1 year, 8 months, 11 days.
3. Catherine Lechlitner, born July 13, 1854; died August 30, 1854. Aged 1 month, 18 days.
4. Christiana Lechlitner, born September 30, 1855; died October 21, 1855. Aged 3 weeks.
5. Lovina Lechlitner, born December 31, 1856; died August 14, 1932. Aged 75 years, 7 months, 13 days.
6. Margaret Lechlitner, born August 28, 1858; died June 14, 1914. Aged 55 years, 9 months, 16 days.
7. Emeline Lechlitner, born June 12, 1860; died March 24, 1861. Aged 9 months, 12 days.
8. Amos Lechlitner, born December 17, 1861; died May 7, 1933. Aged 71 years, 4 months, 20 days.
9. Levi Lechlitner, born September 18, 1863; died March 1, 1865. Aged 1 year, 5 months, 13 days.
10. William Henry Lechlitner, born November 24, 1864.
11. Joseph D. Lechlitner, born February 12, 1866.
12. Emma Lechlitner, born September 19, 1868; died March 17, 1911. Aged 42 years, 5 months, 28 days.
13. Lydia Lechlitner, born March 23, 1870.
14. David Lechlitner, born May 1, 1872.
15. Martha Salome Lechlitner, born July 27, 1874; died November 9, 1876. Aged 2 years, 3 months, 12 days.

Third Generation

Mary Ann Lechlitner was married November 27, 1879 to Henry G. Fischer, son of Henry and Veronica (Gingerich) Fischer. He was born December 14, 1851 in Waterloo County, Ontario, and died June 28, 1925; aged 73 years, 6 months, 14 days. He was a farmer and lived two miles west and one half mile north of Wakarusa, Indiana.

Children:

1. Sarah Ann Fischer, born November 23, 1880.
2. Lydia Fischer, born January 25, 1882.
3. Susanna Fischer, born January 10, 1884.
4. David Fischer, born March 28, 1885; died May 16, 1894. Aged 9 years, 1 month, 18 days.
5. Emma Fischer, born January 5, 1887.
6. Veronica Fischer, born October 14, 1889.

7. Margaret Fischer, born December 5, 1891; died May 30, 1894. Aged 2 years, 5 months, 25 days.

Emma and Veronica Fischer are unmarried, and live at the place of their birth.

Fourth Generation

Sarah Ann Fischer was married March 8, 1898 to Charles Bollinger, born November 1, 1870, son of Michael and Almira (Topper) Bollinger. He is the owner of a large farm southwest of Mishawaka, in St. Joseph County, Indiana, which he farmed a number of years. He later moved to Wakarusa, Indiana and engaged in the business of hauling farm products by automobile truck to the larger cities.

Children:

1. Florence Bollinger, born August 30, 1899.
2. Pearl Bollinger, born March 25, 1901.
3. Albert Farrel Bollinger, born October 30, 1903.

Fifth Generation

Florence Bollinger was married February 27, 1919 to Forest Yoder, born October 2, 1895 near Wakarusa, son of Peter B. and Emma (Huber) Yoder. He farms the Charles Bollinger farm.

Fifth Generation

Pearl Bollinger was married November 3, 1921 to Russell Blosser, born July 28, 1902, son of Harvey M. and Katie (Culp) Blosser.

Farmer. Wakarusa, Indiana. Mennonite.

Children:

1. Virgil Lamar Blosser, born October 19, 1922.
2. Charles Raymond Blosser, born September 1, 1924.
3. Harriet Marie Blosser, born August 3, 1930.

Fifth Generation

Albert Farrel Bollinger was married November 2, 1926 to Christena Shermier, born October 17, 1902, daughter of John Shermier. They live in Mishawaka, Indiana, and he is a dairy worker.

One child:

1. Robert Wayne Bollinger, born November 27, 1929.

Fourth Generation

Lydia Fischer was married July 25, 1900 to Charles Husband, born September 12, 1868 in Elkhart County, In-

diana, son of Harmon and Mariah (Fetters) Husband. Charles Husband owns several farms in the vicinity of Wakarusa, one in Olive Township and one in Harrison Township, and he resides on the latter. They are members of the Mennonite Brethren in Christ Church.

Fourth Generation

Susanna Fischer was married September 3, 1913 to Willard Moore, born January 22, 1880 in Noble County, Indiana, son of Charles Moore. They live on a farm in Noble County, near the town of Wolf Lake.

Children:

1. Evelyn M. Moore, born October 14, 1914 in Noble County, Indiana.
2. John W. Moore, born January 4, 1916 in Whitley County, Indiana.
3. Robert H. Moore, born September 8, 1917 in Newago County, Michigan.
4. Mary Jane Moore, born January 1, 1920 in Newago County, Michigan.
5. Carol Moore, born July 25, 1922 in Newago County, Michigan.
6. Betty Moore, born July 28, 1924 in Newago County, Michigan.

Third Generation

Lovina Lechlitrer was married February 24, 1887 to William Burkholder, born September 28, 1843 in Tuscaragus County, near Canal Dove, Ohio, son of George and Mary (Silvius) Burkholder. In December 1869 he came to Indiana and followed the occupation of broom making. They lived in Lagrange County a number of years, later in Napanee, Indiana, and more recently north of Wakarusa. They were Mennonites.

Children:

1. Mary Ann Burkholder, born November 21, 1887.
2. Susannah Burkholder, born March 26, 1890.
3. Barbara Burkholder, born February 26, 1892.
4. David L. Burkholder, born July 17, 1894; died November 4, 1918. Aged 24 years 3 months, 17 days.
5. Elizabeth Burkholder, born June 28, 1896; died September 3, 1897.
6. Laura Burkholder, born May 21, 1898; died May 22, 1898.

David L. Burkholder, previous to his death, had been employed by the New York Central Signal department at Whiting, Indiana.

Fourth Generation

Mary Ann Burkholder was married February 5, 1920 to William J. Allan, born September 26, 1887.

Bricklayer and mason. Louisville, Ohio.

Children:

1. George Edwin Allan, born October 15, 1920; died November 13, 1921.
2. Ruth Lovina Allan, born November 11, 1922.
3. Paul Boyd Allan, born December 7, 1924.
4. James Leroy Allan, born October 16, 1926.
5. Lois Edith Allan, born August 5, 1931.

Fourth Generation

Barbara Burkholder was married September 3, 1913 to Roscoe W. Hartman, born August 16, 1893, son of Edward and Ida (Ringler) Hartman.

Laborer. Wakarusa, Indiana.

Children:

1. Levon LaMar Hartman, born April 14, 1914; died October 1, 1916.
2. Lillian Fern Hartman, born March 12, 1916.
3. Paul Junior Hartman, born June 11, 1921.
4. Louisa Faye Hartman, born February 29, 1924.
5. Owen Carlyle Hartman, born April 22, 1927.

Fifth Generation

Lillian Fern Hartman was married March 17, 1934 to John Morris, born April 8, 1908, son of Brady and Leah (Culp) Morris.

Laborer. Wakarusa, Indiana.

To them was born:

1. Carl Ray Morris, born April 29, 1935.

Third Generation

Margaret Lechlitter was married April 6, 1876 in Elkhart County, Indiana to Isaac Martin, son of Christian and Elizabeth (Wenger) Martin. He was born in Lancaster County, Pennsylvania, December 18, 1854, and died May 4, 1911, aged 56 years, 4 months, 10 days. He was a farmer near Wakarusa, Indiana, and a member of the Old Order Mennonite Church. Born to this union:

1. David Martin, born March 16, 1878 in St. Joseph County, Indiana.
2. Abraham Martin, born April 18, 1880 in St. Joseph County, Indiana.
3. Harvey Martin, born February 18, 1882 in Elkhart County, Indiana.
4. Emma Martin, born August 17, 1884 in Elkhart County, Indiana.
5. Elizabeth Martin, born August 10, 1886, in Elkhart County, Indiana; died October 22, 1918. Aged 32 years, 2 months, 12 days.
6. Reuben Martin, born June 14, 1888 in Elkhart County, Indiana.
7. Martha Martin, born May 9, 1891 in Elkhart County, Indiana.
8. Amos Martin, born June 5, 1893 in St. Joseph County, Indiana.
9. (Unnamed), born July 22, 1895 in St. Joseph County, Indiana; died August 29, 1895. Aged 1 month, 7 days.
10. Willis Martin, born September 17, 1896 in St. Joseph County, Indiana.
11. Alvin Martin, born May 1, 1899 in St. Joseph County, Indiana; died March 20, 1900. Aged 10 months, 19 days.
12. Monroe Martin, born January 9, 1902 in St. Joseph County, Indiana.

Emma Martin remained unmarried and has been engaged in housework. She is a member of the Old Order Mennonite Church.

Fourth Generation

David Martin was married November 13, 1904 to Hannah Reed, born August 7, 1880, daughter of Aaron and Magdalena (Snyder) Reed.

Farmer. Wakarusa, Indiana. Wisler Mennonite.

Children, born in Elkhart County, Indiana:

1. Homer Martin, born September 16, 1905.
2. Martha Martin, born June 16, 1907.
3. Aaron Martin, born July 16, 1909.
4. Anna Martin, born August 22, 1911.
5. Clarence Martin, born February 20, 1915.
6. Magdalena Martin, born July 1, 1918.

Fifth Generation

Homer Martin was married December 23, 1930 to Emma Kilmer, born July 4, 1908 in Medina County, Ohio, daughter of John and Susanna (Burkhart) Kilmer.

Farmer. Wakarusa, Indiana. Wisler Mennonite.

Children, born in Elkhart County, Indiana:

1. Nelson Ray Martin, born February 19, 1932.
2. Virgil Ralph Martin, born June 25, 1933.

Fifth Generation

Martha Martin was married August 30, 1928 to Phares Zimmerman, born September 5, 1904 in Elkhart County, Indiana, son of Eli and Lydia (Wenger) Zimmerman.

Farmer. Goshen, Indiana. Wisler Mennonite.

Children:

1. David Zimmerman, born June 4, 1929; died August 25, 1930. Aged 1 year, 2 months, 21 days.
2. Fay Etta Zimmerman, born November 3, 1931.
3. Lena Naomi Zimmerman, born November 9, 1931.
4. Anna Marie Zimmerman, born September 5, 1933.
5. Mary Lucille Zimmerman, born December 8, 1934.

Fifth Generation

Aaron Martin was married December 7, 1933 to Anna Bauman, born in Stanton, Michigan, daughter of Ananias and Mary Ann (Stauffer) Bauman.

Farmer. Wakarusa, Indiana. Wisler Mennonite.

They have one child:

1. Eleanor Fern Martin, born April 26, 1935.

Fourth Generation

Abraham Martin was married March 12, 1905 to Mary Ramer, born July 1, 1882, daughter of Samuel and Lydia (Reed) Ramer.

Farmer. Nappanee, Indiana. Old Order Mennonite.

Children, born in Elkhart County, Indiana:

1. Ezra Martin, born May 20, 1906.
2. Ira Martin, born August 30, 1908; died January 16, 1909. Aged 4 months, 17 days.
3. Lydia Martin, born August 29, 1909.
4. Esther Martin, born November 8, 1912.
5. Herman Martin, born November 2, 1915.
6. Noah Martin, born December 24, 1917; died January 15, 1919. Aged 1 year, 22 days.
7. Irvin Martin, born March 22, 1921.
8. Elmer Martin, born January 13, 1924.

Fifth Generation

Ezra Martin was married November 16, 1927 to Lydia Bauman of Stanton, Michigan, born June 21, 1906 in Iowa, daughter of Ananias and Mary Ann (Stauffer) Bauman.

Farmer. Nappanee, Indiana. Wisler Mennonite.

Children, born in Elkhart County, Indiana:

1. Lorene Martin, born January 4, 1929.
2. Erma Martin, born November 26, 1930; died December 2, 1930.
3. Lowell Martin, born February 27, 1932.
4. Doris Martin, born November 12, 1933.
5. Leonard Martin, born March 17, 1935.
6. Mable Martin, born June 2, 1936.

Fifth Generation

Esther Martin was married March 28, 1937 to Enos Martin, son of Rev. Henry and Elizabeth (Schrock) Martin.

Farmer. Nappanee, Indiana. Old Order Mennonite.

Fifth Generation

Herman Martin was married September 5, 1936 to Sarah Martin, born November 29, 1914, daughter of Rev. Henry and Elizabeth (Schrock) Martin.

Farmer. Goshen, Indiana. Old Order Mennonite.

Fourth Generation

Harvey Martin was united in marriage November 25, 1902 to Emma Kilmer, born October 6, 1881 in Elkhart County, Indiana, daughter of Philip and Mary (Weaver) Kilmer.

Farmer. Nappanee, Indiana. Old Order Mennonite.

Children, born in Elkhart County, Indiana:

1. Susie Martin, born September 26, 1903.
2. Paul Martin, born February 28, 1906.
3. Louis Martin, born July 21, 1908.
4. Lawrence Martin, born May 13, 1912.
5. Ruth Martin, born February 1, 1915.
6. Henry Martin, born June 22, 1917.
7. Amos Martin, born May 4, 1919.

Fifth Generation

Susie Martin was united in marriage November 29, 1923 to Roscoe Schrock, born February 21, 1894 in Elkhart County, Indiana, son of Rev. Henry and Sarah (Metzler) Schrock.

Farmer. Wakarusa, Indiana. Old Order Mennonite.
Children, born in Elkhart County, Indiana:

1. Emma Schrock, born September 3, 1924.
2. Norman Schrock, born January 12, 1927.
3. Raymond Schrock, born June 28, 1933.
4. Miriam Schrock, born June 19, 1936.

Fifth Generation

Paul Martin was united in marriage December 23, 1926 to Dorothy Newcomer, born February 21, 1905 in Elkhart County, Indiana, daughter of Levi and Sarah (Umbaugh) Newcomer.

Blacksmith. Wakarusa, Indiana.

Children, born in Elkhart County, Indiana:

1. Carlyle Eldon Martin, born August 19, 1927; died August 19, 1927.
2. Lois Fern Martin, born September 25, 1929.
3. Bertha Lucile Martin, born July 29, 1931.
4. Verda Marie Martin, born August 25, 1932.
5. Fae Mae Martin, born March 31, 1935.
6. Carl Paul Martin, born September 21, 1936.

Fifth Generation

Louis Martin was united in marriage November 23, 1928 to Florence May Ramer, born November 11, 1909 in Elkhart County, Indiana, daughter of Noah and Emma (Weaver) Ramer.

Farmer. Elkhart County, Indiana. Wisler Mennonite.
Children, born in Elkhart County, Indiana:

1. Eldon Ray Martin, born May 29, 1929.
2. LaMar Eugene Martin, born May 6, 1932.
3. Dale LeRoy Martin, born November 25, 1934.

Fifth Generation

Lawrence Martin was united in marriage December 17, 1933 to Anna Martin, born November 11, 1909 in St. Joseph County, Indiana, daughter of Elias E. and Amanda (Ramer) Martin.

Farmer. Goshen, Indiana. Old Order Mennonite.
To them was born:

1. Elvin Martin, born February 2, 1936.

Fifth Generation

Ruth Martin was married November 26, 1936 to William R. Martin, born June 21, 1913, son of Elias E. and Amanda (Ramer) Martin.

Farmer. Goshen, Indiana. Old Order Mennonite.

Fourth Generation

Elizabeth Martin was united in marriage December 25, 1910 to Wilson S. Reed, born April 8, 1891 in Elkhart County, Indiana, son of Aaron and Magdalena (Snyder) Reed. He was a farmer near Wakarusa, Indiana, but in 1919 moved to northern Michigan, near Brutus, where he owns a farm. They are Mennonites. Elizabeth was a member of the Wisler Mennonite Church.

Children, born in Elkhart County, Indiana:

1. Amos Reed, born August 29, 1911; died September 17, 1911.
2. George M. Reed, born July 16, 1912.
3. Emma Reed, born November 20, 1913.
4. Martin Reed, born March 7, 1915.

Fifth Generation

George M. Reed was married December 17, 1932 to Elizabeth Newswanger, born November 11, 1908 in Lancaster, Pennsylvania, daughter of Elias and Anna (Martin) Newswanger.

Farmer. Brutus, Michigan. Mennonite.

Their children are:

1. Harold Elias Reed, born June 10, 1934.
2. Anna Mary Reed, born April 24, 1936.

Fifth Generation

Emma Reed was married September 30, 1934 to William Eby, born May 1, 1911, son of Cyrus and Elizabeth (Brubaker) Eby.

Farmer. Brutus, Michigan. Mennonite.

To them was born:

1. Alvin Eby, born November 20, 1935.

Fourth Generation

Reuben Martin was united in marriage July 13, 1913 to Ella Hunsberger, born March 27, 1895, daughter of Daniel and Lydia (Lehman) Hunsberger.

Farmer. Wakarusa, Indiana. Old Order Mennonite.

Children, born in Elkhart County, Indiana:

1. Catherine Martin, born July 11, 1914.
2. Helen Martin, born April 22, 1917; died September 13, 1930. Aged 13 years, 4 months, 22 days.
3. Alma Martin, born April 8, 1919.
4. Mabel Martin, born April 9, 1921.
5. Lucy Martin, born February 23, 1923.

6. James Martin, born April 26, 1926.
7. Ralph Martin, born November 27, 1928.

Fifth Generation

Catherine Martin was married October 31, 1935 to John Martin, born July 17, 1913, son of Rev. Henry and Elizabeth (Schrock) Martin.

Farmer. Old Order Mennonite.

To them was born:

1. Ina Martin, born September 13, 1936.

Fourth Generation

Martha Martin was united in marriage December 10, 1910 to Menno Ramer, born April 8, 1880 in Elkhart County, Indiana, son of Samuel and Lydia (Reed) Ramer.

Farmer. Wakarusa, Indiana. Old Order Mennonite.

Children, born in Elkhart County, Indiana:

1. Mervin Ramer, born September 5, 1911.
2. Willis Ramer, born November 19, 1912; died March 14, 1920. Aged 7 years, 3 months, 25 days.
3. Samuel Ramer, born April 12, 1914.
4. Nathan Ramer, born September 8, 1915.
5. Ira Ramer, born February 20, 1917.
6. Infant daughter, born April 16, 1919; died the same day.
7. David Ramer, born April 28, 1920; died February 1, 1922. Aged 1 year, 9 months, 3 days.
8. Alma Ramer, born September 2, 1921.
9. Martin Ramer, born January 13, 1923.
10. Enos Ramer, born January 25, 1927.

Fifth Generation

Mervin Ramer was united in marriage December 20, 1933 to Susanna S. Martin, born December 14, 1915, daughter of Rev. Joseph E. and Mary (Shaum) Martin.

Farmer. Wakarusa, Indiana. Old Order Mennonite.

To them were born:

1. Mary Edna Ramer, born December 26, 1934.
2. Samuel Ramer, born November 23, 1935.

Fourth Generation

Amos Martin was united in marriage February 2, 1918 to Lydia Weaver, born October 11, 1898 in Elkhart County, Indiana, daughter of Henry and Amanda (Shaum) Weaver.

Farmer. Nappanee, Indiana. Mennonite.

Their children, born in Elkhart County, Indiana, are:

1. Bernett W. Martin, born May 27, 1919.
2. Vernon W. Martin, born September 23, 1920.
3. Blanche Maxine Martin, born October 7, 1921.

Fourth Generation

Willis Martin was married March 28, 1922 to Nellie Culp, born August 6, 1901 in Elkhart County, Indiana, daughter of Charles and Susanna (Culp) Culp.

Farmer. Goshen, Indiana. Wisler Mennonite.

Children, all born in Elkhart County, Indiana:

1. Louise A. Martin, born October 3, 1923.
2. Truman L. Martin, born July 12, 1925.
3. Vivian T. Martin, born February 10, 1927.
4. Leon V. Martin, born March 27, 1928.
5. Matie L. Martin, born June 26, 1930.
6. Marion M. Martin, born July 4, 1932.
7. Miriam M. Martin, born July 4, 1932; died July 5, 1932.
8. Mildred M. Martin, born May 26, 1934.
9. Eugene M. Martin, born January 26, 1936.

Fourth Generation

Monroe Martin was united in marriage November 4, 1922 to Annette May Shaum, born November 24, 1903 in St. Joseph County, Indiana, daughter of Isaiah and Lizzie (Weaver) Shaum.

Day Laborer. Goshen, Indiana. Wisler Mennonite.

Children, all born in Elkhart County, Indiana:

1. Maynard S. Martin, born January 31, 1924.
2. Lizzie Lucile Martin, born May 22, 1925.
3. Monroe Junior Martin, born January 28, 1927.
4. Gerald Jay Martin, born July 7, 1928.
5. Harold Ray Martin, born July 7, 1928.
6. Kenneth Leroy Martin, born December 27, 1931.
7. Margaret May Martin, born March 17, 1932.
8. Charles Edward Martin, born January 1, 1934.
9. Carrie Ellen Martin, born December 25, 1935.

Third Generation

Amos Lechlitner was married March 19, 1885 to Carrie Ellen Miller, daughter of Joseph and Ann (Inwood) Miller. She was born August 6, 1867, and died August 1, 1893, aged 25 years, 11 months, 25 days.

To this union were born three daughters:

1. Agnes Lovina Lechlitner, born September 24, 1886.

2. Bessie Ethel Lechlitner, born July 31, 1888.
3. Carrie Myrtle Lechlitner, born August 17, 1890.

On September 8, 1894 Amos Lechlitner was married to Elizabeth Yoder, daughter of Henry and Elizabeth (Bixler) Yoder. She was born January 10, 1860 in Holmes County, Ohio, and died March 10, 1936 near Wakarusa, Indiana; aged 76 years, 2 months. Amos Lechlitner was a farmer and land owner west of Wakarusa, Indiana, in Madison Township, St. Joseph County. He died as a result of injuries received when thrown under a plow. They were members of the Mennonite Brethren in Christ Church.

To this union were born three sons:

1. John Roland Lechlitner, born November 20, 1895.
2. Elmer Olen Lechlitner, born January 1, 1900.
3. Harold Anthony Lechlitner, born March 17, 1902.

Fourth Generation

Agnes Lovina Lechlitner was married March 7, 1914 to Walter A. Laughman, born October 19, 1884, in St. Joseph County, Indiana. He is a farmer southwest of Wakarusa.

One son was born:

1. Warren Ernest Scott, born April 1, 1904 in Elkhart County, Indiana.

Fifth Generation

Warren Ernest Scott was married December 18, 1924 to Gladys Marie George, born November 8, 1903 in Kosciusko County, Indiana, daughter of Oliver and Emma (Heckeman) George. He was formerly a clerk in the Weldy Store in Wakarusa and is now employed by the Ekrich Meat Plant in South Bend, Indiana.

Children:

1. Miriam Lue Scott, born November 26, 1926.
2. Dona Jean Scott, born September 12, 1930.
3. Gloria Sue Scott, born November 25, 1932.
4. Bonnie Lyn Scott, born January 11, 1935.

Fourth Generation

Bessie E. Lechlitner was married March 16, 1907 to Charles W. Lockwood, born March 22, 1885 in Locke Township, Elkhart County, Indiana, son of Asher and Maralda (Ritzman) Lockwood.

Farmer. Syracuse, Indiana.

Children:

1. Arthur Olin Lockwood, born December 26, 1907; died September 29, 1909. Aged 1 year, 9 months, 3 days.
2. Orval L. Lockwood, born August 10, 1909.
3. Harold R. Lockwood, born July 2, 1911.
4. Evelyn L. Lockwood, born December 1, 1912.
5. Donald W. Lockwood, born September 16, 1918.

Fifth Generation

Orval L. Lockwood was married December 24, 1933 to Orpha Routsong, born July 24, 1907, daughter of Adam and Jennie Routsong.

Farmer and road worker. Syracuse, Indiana.

Children:

1. Douglas Clair Lockwood, born November 2, 1934.
2. Philip Dean Lockwood, born June 20, 1936.

Fifth Generation

Harold R. Lockwood was married November 2, 1935 to Helen Hildebush, born December 28, 1915, daughter of Grover and Bebra Hildebush.

Shop worker. Syracuse, Indiana.

Fifth Generation

Evelyn L. Lockwood was married December 1, 1936 to Merrill E. Prickett, born October 5, 1905, son of William and Elizabeth Prickett. They live at Benton, Indiana.

Fourth Generation

Carrie Myrtle Lechlitner was married July 24, 1909 to Lewis Wise, born September 12, 1883 in Harrison Township, Elkhart County, Indiana, son of Tobias and Anna (Wambaugh) Wise. They live on a farm northeast of Bremen, Indiana, R. 2, and are members of the Mennonite Brethren in Christ Church.

Children:

1. Mary Elizabeth Wise, born August 13, 1913.
2. Anna Fern Wise, born July 2, 1915.
3. Norris Devon Wise, born December 14, 1916.
4. Mildred Joy Wise, born July 29, 1919.
5. Lloyd LeRoy Wise, born May 31, 1928.

Fourth Generation

John Roland Lechlitner was married December 11, 1915 to Phebe Beehler, born March 21, 1896, daughter of Jacob K. and Mary A. (Good) Beehler.

Farmer. Wakarusa, Indiana. Mennonite Brethren in Christ.

Children:

1. Mary Elizabeth Lechlitner, born March 6, 1917.
2. Ray LaMar Lechlitner, born December 6, 1919.
3. Dale Eugene Lechlitner, born March 3, 1936.

Fifth Generation

Mary Elizabeth Lechlitner was married May 1, 1937 to Lloyd Null, son of Daniel T. and Salome (Culp) Null.

Fourth Generation

Elmer Olen Lechlitner was married July 1, 1925 to Ethel May Johnson, born July 29, 1902, daughter of Ephriam and Mary (Peters) Johnson.

Farmer. Wakarusa, Indiana.

Children:

1. Fern Lucile Lechlitner, born February 19, 1926.
2. Norma Jean Lechlitner, born September 26, 1928.
3. Laura Arbelle Lechlitner, born September 24, 1930.
4. Edna Ruth Lechlitner, born November 5, 1932.
5. Paul Ernest Lechlitner, born September 27, 1934.

Fourth Generation

Harold Anthony Lechlitner was married November 26, 1921 to Inez Martha Null, born July 27, 1900, daughter of Daniel T. and Salome (Culp) Null.

Farmer. Wakarusa, Indiana. Mennonite Brethren in Christ.

They have four daughters:

1. Helen May Lechlitner, born October 10, 1922.
2. Della Marie Lechlitner, born March 19, 1924.
3. Vesta Pauline Lechlitner, born June 23, 1926.
4. Evelyn Jean Lechlitner, born August 13, 1927.

Third Generation

William Henry Lechlitner was married November 13, 1886 to Alice Brown, born January 8, 1865, daughter of William and Ann (Bell) Brown. They lived on their farm one mile west and one-half mile north of Wakarusa, Indiana, until November 17, 1925 when they retired from farming and moved to Wakarusa. They are members of the Mennonite Brethren in Christ Church.

Children:

1. Nellie Myrtle Lechlitner, born February 4, 1888.

2. Warren Clayton Lechlitner, born September 4, 1892.
3. Nelson Ray Lechlitner, born July 18, 1895.

Fourth Generation

Nellie Myrtle Lechlitner was married October 20, 1910 to James Kollar, born June 23, 1884 near Canton, Ohio, son of Peter and Anna Eliza (Flory) Kollar. She had been a teacher in the public schools of Olive Township, Elkhart County, Indiana. They live on a farm near Wakarusa, Indiana, and are members of the Mennonite Brethren in Christ Church.

Children:

1. Vesta May Kollar, born May 6, 1912.
2. Virgil Aristes Kollar, born October 2, 1914.
3. Devon Kollar, died in infancy.

Fifth Generation

Vesta May Kollar was married May, 1934, to Allen Burk, son of John Burk. He is a moulder in a foundry at St. Joseph, Michigan, where they live.

Fourth Generation

Warren Clayton Lechlitner was married February 25, 1922 to Bernice Frances Minegar, born February 9, 1894, in Elkhart, Indiana, daughter of Wm. J. and Ida (Meador) Minegar. She was brought up by Henry Myers, who lives north of Elkhart. He had at one time been a merchant in Wakarusa, Indiana, but later for a number of years was employed in Elkhart, Indiana, by the New York Central Railroad, and at present in Cleveland, Ohio, where they live.

Children:

1. Thane Joyce Lechlitner, born September 16, 1926.
2. Maxine Clair Lechlitner, born August 11, 1928.

Fourth Generation

Nelson Ray Lechlitner was married November 25, 1914 to Florence Holderman, born January 18, 1895 in Elkhart County, Indiana, daughter of John and Cora (Johnson) Holderman. They live on the Henry Lechlitner farm.

Children:

1. Kenneth LaMar Lechlitner, born September 29, 1917; died August 19, 1933. Aged 15 years, 10 months, 20 days.
2. Robert LeRoy Lechlitner, born October 25, 1921.

Third Generation

Joseph D. Lechlitner was married September 11, 1886 to Emma Jane Brown, born December 5, 1867, daughter of William and Ann (Bell) Brown. They reside on a farm one and one half miles southeast of Wakarusa and are members of the Mennonite Brethren in Christ Church.

Children:

1. Edna Viola Lechlitner, born September 3, 1889; died September 17, 1889.
2. Lola May Lechlitner, born July 14, 1891. Single.
3. Melvin Ray Lechlitner, born October 24, 1895.
4. Clyde Eldon Lechlitner, born April 16, 1904.



David Lechlitner Homestead

Fourth Generation

Melvin Ray Lechlitner was married March 20, 1915 to Myrial Elizabeth Canen, born October 25, 1894, daughter of John and Ida (Stump) Canen.

Farmer.

Children:

1. Virgil Ray Lechlitner, born December 17, 1916; died January 10, 1917. Aged 24 days.
2. Arvid Leroy Lechlitner, born March 23, 1918; died March 16, 1929. Aged 10 years, 11 months, 23 days.
3. Fern May Lechlitner, born June 6, 1921.
4. James Leonard Lechlitner, born October 10, 1923.
5. Violet Jean Lechlitner, born June 20, 1930.
6. Frank Eugene Lechlitner, born February 4, 1933.

Fourth Generation

Clyde Eldon Lechlitner was married October 26, 1921 to Leveda Berkey, born January 17, 1904, daughter of Henry and Bertha (Seese) Berkey. He is manager of the Abshire Oil Station at Wakarusa, Indiana.

Children:

1. Evadean May Lechlitner, born August 6, 1922.
2. Dale Louis Lechlitner, born December 25, 1926.
3. Clyde Junior Lechlitner, born April 9, 1930.

Third Generation

Emma Lechlitner was married April 16, 1887 to Aaron Berkey, born September 15, 1864, son of Jacob and Mary (Schrock) Berkey. They lived on and owned the Lechlitner farm one mile west of Wakarusa. In 1892 they united with the Mennonite Church.

Children:

1. Grace Edith Berkey, born October 12, 1888.
2. Mable Lucretia Berkey, born February 28, 1892.
3. Beulah May Berkey, born June 12, 1893.
4. Henry Roscoe Berkey, born February 16, 1895; died October 1, 1895.
5. Wilma Leona Berkey, born August 6, 1896.
6. Florence Myrtle Berkey, born January 13, 1899.
7. Clara Ethel Berkey, born July 22, 1900.
8. Mary Edna Berkey, born March 30, 1901.
9. Goldia Celestia Berkey, born June 2, 1905.
10. Walter Monroe Berkey, born July 18, 1906; died August 19, 1933. Aged 27 years, 1 month, 1 day.
11. Anna Elnora Berkey, born September 28, 1908; died January 5, 1909.

Fourth Generation

Grace Edith Berkey was married December 31, 1907 to Calvin Newcomer, born September 10, 1882, son of David and Susanna (Weaver) Newcomer. He has been a steam engineer. They lived near Wakarusa, Indiana until 1917, when they moved to the state of Washington where they resided until 1925; after three years in Oregon they moved in 1928 to Arizona. Their recent address was Phoenix, Arizona, but they have since removed to San Jose, California. They were members of the Mennonite Church and later of the Christian Church.

Children:

1. Manford Aaron Newcomer, born October 10, 1908.

2. Emma Susannah Newcomer, born December 25, 1909.
3. Albert David Newcomer, born March 3, 1911.
4. Martha Minerva Newcomer, born February 25, 1912.
5. John Kenneth Newcomer, born December 9, 1914.
6. Mary Ruth Newcomer, born April 30, 1919.
7. Edward Charles Newcomer, born April 30, 1923.
8. Mabel Irene Newcomer, born May 4, 1925.

The above were all born near Wakarusa, excepting Mary Ruth, born at Kirkland, Washington, Edward Charles born at Houghton, Washington, and Mabel Irene, born at Arlington, Washington.

Fifth Generation

Manford A. Newcomer was married May 27, 1934 to Mary Ellen Miller, born January 7, 1909, daughter of Vernon E. and Nettie A. (Overholser) Miller. They live in Nappanee, Indiana, where she had been a teacher in the public schools.

Fifth Generation

Emma Susannah Newcomer was married January 10, 1930 to Robert Daniels. To them was born one daughter:
1. Betty Jo Daniels, born December 20, 1930 at Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

Emma Susannah Newcomer was married September 29, 1933 to Del S. Brown, born March 11, 1900 at Vandalia, Illinois, son of John Wilson and Eleanor Jane (Bricker) Brown. He owns a confectionary and fountain at 3350 Adeline, Berk, California, where they live. The name of Betty Jo Daniels has been changed to Betty Jo Brown.

Fifth Generation

Albert David Newcomer was married January 17, 1934 to Clara Margaret Stewart, born November 19, 1914 at Deming, New Mexico, daughter of William and Fae Stewart. He is an electric welder at the Sllison Steel Works, and they live at 710 Roma St., Phoenix, Arizona.

One daughter:

1. Loretta Fae Newcomer, born January 23, 1936.

Fifth Generation

Martha Minerva Newcomer was married January 10, 1930 to Francis Howard Bandy, born September 12, 1910, son of Charles E. Bandy.

Mine worker. Crescent City, California.

They have a son:

1. Kenneth Wayne Bandy, born August 12, 1930 at Sierra Madre, California.

Fifth Generation

Mary Ruth Newcomer was married in 1934 at San Diego, California, to Dale Kenneth Johnson, born February 19, 1912 at Olympia, Washington, daughter of Archie and Augustine (Strutz) Johnson.

One daughter:

1. Patsy Jean Johnson born June 11, 1935.

Fourth Generation

Mabel Lucretia Berkey was married July 26, 1911 to Martin F. Lehman, born May 6, 1888 in Williams County, Ohio, son of Abram C. and Eliza (Smeltzer) Lehman.

Farmer. Goshen, Indiana.

Children:

1. Bertha Elnora Lehman, born September 20, 1912.
2. Pauline Mary Lehman, born December 10, 1916.
3. Erma Marie Lehman, born March 11, 1919.
4. Betty Arline Lehman, born June 22, 1925.

Fifth Generation

Bertha Elnora Lehman was married January 1, 1930 to Cloyd Kauffman, born August 19, 1907 in Middlebury, Indiana, son of Andrew E. and Polly (Hershberger) Kauffman. They live in Middlebury, Indiana.

Children:

1. Donald Lee Kauffman, born August 4, 1931.
2. Thomas Eugene Kauffman, born July 10, 1934.

Fifth Generation

Pauline Mary Lehman was married April 10, 1937 to Albert Hostetler, son of Jonas Hostetler of Middlebury, Indiana.

Farmer. Middlebury, Indiana.

Fourth Generation

Beulah May Berkey was married November 12, 1910 to Jesse P. Reed of Nappanee, Indiana, born April 9, 1888, son of Noah W. and Catharine (Pepple) Reed.

Farmer. Nappanee, Indiana. Church of the Brethren.

Children:

1. Louise Fern Reed, born February 7, 1914.
2. Carl Donald Reed, born May 23, 1918.
3. Anna Mae Reed, born February 13, 1924.

Fourth Generation

Wilma Leona Berkey was married in October, 1916 to

George Newcomer, son of David and Susanna (Weaver) Newcomer.

Farmer. Woodburn, Oregon. Church of the Brethren.
Children:

1. Georgia C. Newcomer, born March 31, 1917; died January 29, 1922. Aged 4 years, 9 months, 28 days.
2. Lloyd Vernon Newcomer, born December 10, 1918.
3. Donna Florence Newcomer, born March 10, 1920.
4. Allen Leroy Newcomer, born August 14, 1924.
5. Leona Faye Newcomer, born February 6, 1927.
6. Robert James Newcomer, born April 10, 1931.

Fourth Generation

Florence Myrtle Berkey was married July 25, 1918 to Ray Leatherman, born July 22, 1896, son of Harvey and Alice (Ehret) Leatherman. They live on a farm southwest of Wakarusa, Indiana.

Children:

1. Linward Leatherman, born February 4, 1919.
2. Imogene Faye Leatherman, born November 11, 1920.
3. Ray Junior Leatherman, born July 22, 1922.
4. Norma Louise Leatherman, born August 7, 1927.
5. Mary Belle Leatherman, born March 30, 1930.

Fourth Generation

Clara Ethel Berkey was married June 20, 1925 to Omer Overholser, born April 13, 1902, son of Monroe and Adelia (Clay) Overholser.

Clerk for Foster Machine Co. Elkhart, Indiana.

Fourth Generation

Mary Edna Berkey, unmarried, lives at home with her father and is taking care of her nephew, the son of Walter Berkey, deceased.

Fourth Generation

Goldia Celestia Berkey was married May 9, 1924 to Earl Bruse of Elkhart, Indiana, born November 11, 1900, son of Lee and Minnie (Marshall) Bruse. They live in Chicago, Illinois.

Children:

1. Twins who died on day of birth.
2. Gloria Lee Bruse, born January 11, 1933.
3. Peggy Gale Bruse, born March 29, 1935.

Fourth Generation

Walter Monroe Berkey was married January 11, 1930 to Merdena Cripe of Goshen, Indiana, born August 2, 1909,

daughter of Charles and Sylvia (Shult) Cripe. They lived on the home farm, originally the Lechlitner farm, one mile west of Wakarusa, Indiana, and were members of the Mennonite Brethren in Christ Church. They were both instantly killed on the night of August 19, 1933 while returning from the Centennial Exposition at Chicago.

One son was born:

1. Charles Robert Berkey, born December 14, 1930.

Third Generation

Lydia Lechlitner was married December 23, 1897 to Joseph M. Mikel, born May 6, 1876 in St. Joseph County, Indiana, son of Joseph and Matilda (Drake) Mikel. They live on a farm south of Nappanee, Indiana and are members of the Mennonite Brethren in Christ Church.

Children:

1. Merle Raymond Mikel, born September 25, 1898.
2. Walter Monroe Mikel, born May 12, 1901.
3. Iva Marie Mikel, born January 22, 1904.
4. Charles Alvin Mikel, born November 8, 1905.
5. Audrey Viola Mikel, born September 26, 1908.
6. Howard Marion Mikel, born July 25, 1910.

Fourth Generation

Merle Raymond Mikel was married March 8, 1921 to Mary Lucile Klotz, born June 6, 1900, daughter of Charles and Tina (Stallter) Klotz.

Farmer. Nappanee, Indiana. Mennonite Brethren in Christ Church.

Children:

1. Verda Pauline Mikel, born August 25, 1921.
2. Donald LaMar Mikel, born September 8, 1923.
3. Lowell Edwin Mikel, born March 11, 1931.

Fourth Generation

Walter Monroe Mikel was married December 30, 1922 to Bertha Marie Hall, born October 24, 1903, daughter of Emanuel and Mary Ellen (Moore) Hall.

Farmer. Nappanee, Indiana. Mennonite Brethren in Christ Church.

Children:

1. Eugene Leroy Mikel, born February 28, 1924.
2. Stanley Devon Mikel, born March 15, 1926.
3. Lloyd Eldon Mikel, born July 8, 1928.
4. Fern Lucille Mikel, born February 19, 1932.

Fourth Generation

Iva Marie Mikel was married December 29, 1923 to Harold W. Klotz, born September 12, 1902 in Nappanee, Indiana, son of Charles and Tina (Stallter) Klotz. He is a farmer near Nappanee and superintendent of the Mennonite Brethren in Christ Sunday school.

Children:

1. Harold Junior Klotz, born October 14, 1924.
2. Paul Robert Klotz, born May 26, 1926.
3. Carl Lamar Klotz, born October 1, 1927.
4. Marjorie Ellen Klotz, born August 5, 1931.

Fourth Generation

Charles Alvin Mikel was married February 26, 1927 to Pearl Mildred Klotz, born December 2, 1905, daughter of Charles and Tina (Stallter) Klotz.

Farmer. Nappanee, Indiana. Mennonite Brethren in Christ Church.

Children:

1. Dale Evart Mikel, born April 24, 1928.
2. Kenneth Alvin Mikel, born July 4, 1930.
3. Richard Franklin Mikel, born November 1, 1933.
4. Dorothy Evelyn Mikel, born October 23, 1935.

Fourth Generation

Audrey Viola Mikel was married December 24, 1931 to Lloyd Jay Rummel, son of George and Ella (Skinner) Rummel.

Farmer. Nappanee, Indiana. Mennonite Brethren in Christ Church.

To them was born:

1. Roy Lamar Rummel, born March 27, 1936.

Third Generation

David Lechlitner was married September 10, 1896 to Chloë Fidella Mikel, daughter of Joseph and Matilda (Drake) Mikel. She was born March 21, 1878 in St. Joseph County, Indiana, and died June 1, 1932. One child:

1. Mervin Ray Lechlitner, born December 20, 1896; died in infancy.

David Lechlitner was married the second time to Bertha Mary Warstler Ball. She was born January 2, 1889. They live on a farm five miles northwest of Nappanee, Indiana, and are members of the Mennonite Brethren in Christ Church.

ABRAHAM HOLDEMAN FAMILY

Second Generation

ABRAHAM HOLDEMAN was married May 4, 1856 in Elkhart County, Indiana, to Elizabeth Weed of near Goshen Indiana, born January 17, 1833. She died May 11, 1860, aged 27 years, 3 months, and 24 days.

Abraham Holdeman was married September 15, 1861 to Mary Kilmer, born May 24, 1841 in Ashland County, Ohio, daughter of Isaac and Anna (Kilmer) Kilmer. She died December 23, 1912 at her home five miles north of Wakarusa, Indiana, aged 71 years, 6 months, 29 days. She had come with her parents to Elkhart County in 1852.

Abraham Holdeman had come in 1849 to Elkhart County, Indiana with his mother, his brother John and family, his sister, Susannah, and his cousin Christian Shaum. On September 18, 1849 Christiana Holdeman of Wayne County, Ohio, purchased from Jesse and Elvy Davies of Belmont County, Ohio, the southwest quarter of section thirty-six in township thirty-seven (Baugo) of Elkhart County, Indiana, for \$1,200. On May 18, 1855 Christiana Holdeman conveyed to Abraham Holdeman this same farm of 160 acres for \$1,375. At this time he was twenty-one years of age. Previous to this she had acted as his guardian in business transactions. Soon after arriving a log house and barn were built a little north of the present buildings. In 1864 they built a frame house, which burned in 1894; shortly afterward the present brick house was constructed. On this farm Abraham Holdeman lived until his death, a period of fifty-six years.

For twenty years he was a public school teacher, having taught in the schools of Olive, Baugo, and Harrison Townships of Elkhart County; he had also taught in St. Joseph County. He had quit teaching for eight years or so, when he was urged to take charge of the Roger school, which was a difficult school from the standpoint of discipline. He finally consented and then continued for several years. In his last year of teaching he taught the Jones School in

Harrison Township, where he had seventy-nine pupils ranging in years from five to twenty-one.

He was a successful farmer, and owned considerable land in Baugo Township. In the raising of live stock he took great pride, and introduced the first Holstein cattle into Elkhart County, having obtained them from the West.

The doors of their home were ever open to the homeless. Abraham Holdeman and wife raised many orphans, and kept a sort of an orphans home. Through one whole winter there were sixteen people at the table for each meal. Liberality was much in evidence.



Mary Kilmer Holdeman

He was a firm believer in the Mennonite faith, and was strictly orthodox in his views on the doctrines and practices of the church. At the Olive Mennonite Church he had been one of the first Sunday school superintendents and was also active as a Sunday school teacher. He corresponded with ministers on religious subjects, and was an occasional contributor to the Herald of Truth.

Five years before his death he was seriously injured by his team running away in the city of Elkhart, and for weeks his mind was a blank. Although he so far recovered that he could attend to business to some extent, his health was impaired. He died June 18, 1905 at the age of 71 years, 2 months, 14 days. He was the youngest of twelve children, and the last one to die.

To Abraham Holdeman and Elizabeth (Weed) Holdeman two children were born:

1. Emma Holdeman, born April 23, 1857; died June 18, 1933. Aged 76 years, 1 month, 24 days.
2. Warren Holdeman, born December 25, 1858; died September 18, 1859. Aged 8 months, 23 days.

To Abraham Holdeman and Mary (Kilmer) Holdeman seven children were born:

1. Abner Holdeman, born August 13, 1862.
2. Ann Eliza Holdeman, born February 27, 1864.
3. Sarah Elizabeth Holdeman, born July 14, 1865; died October 13, 1865. Aged 2 months, 29 days.
4. Alice Malinda Holdeman, born August 18, 1866; died May 11, 1934. Aged 67 years, 8 months, 23 days.
5. Priscilla Holdeman, born October 11, 1869.
6. Menno Simon Holdeman, born March 9, 1872; died September 8, 1872. Aged 5 months, 29 days.
7. Martha Matilda Holdeman, born August 24, 1873; died November 2, 1933. Aged 60 years, 2 months, 8 days.

Third Generation

Emma Holdeman was married September 26, 1880 to Frank Girl, born July 4, 1852 in Baugo Township, son of Joseph and Elizabeth (Coberly) Girl. They engaged in farming in Olive and Baugo Townships, and were members of the Jamestown Methodist Church. He was also a singing teacher.

Children:

1. Edna Girl, born August 6, 1882; died June 12, 1929. Aged 46 years, 8 months, 6 days.
2. Chloe Girl, born August 5, 1895.
3. Walter Girl, born May 20, 1901; died April, 1922. Walter Girl was killed by lightning in Kansas.

Fourth Generation

Edna Girl was married June 13, 1904 to Charles M. Basler, son of Josiah and Lucinda (Bowman) Basler. He was born in Elkhart on November 9, 1871, and died May 5, 1935; aged 63 years, 5 months, 8 days. He was a metal polisher and buffer, and had been employed in Elkhart at the Buescher band instrument factory for fifteen years, the Conn band instrument factory for five years, and the Martin band instrument factory for five years and was later employed at the Northern Indiana Brass Co. They lived in Elkhart and were members of the Evangelical Church.

They had one daughter:

1. Avis Basler, born September 3, 1905.

Fifth Generation

Avis Basler was married September 3, 1925 to Homer Hale, born April 11, 1899. He is a salesman for the Borne-man Hardware firm in Elkhart, where they live.

Fourth Generation

Chloe Girl was married December 31, 1919 to Guy Neely, born September 9, 1894, son of Henry and Lilly Belle Neely. They live near Osceola, Indiana, and he is employed on the railroad.

Children:

1. Dorothy Neely, born September 19, 1920.
2. John Neely, born September 6, 1922.
3. James Neely, born January 8, 1926.
4. Paul Neely, born March 18, 1928.
5. Howard Neely, born June 20, 1931.
6. Merle Neely, born June 20, 1931.

Third Generation

Abner Holdeman was married December 6, 1885 by Rev. Leander S. Keyser to Emma Dodge, born January 3, 1868 in Elkhart County, Indiana, daughter of James C. and Harriet (Terwilliger) Dodge. During the first seven and one-half years after marriage they worked for Abraham Holde-

man, and in 1893 moved one and one-half miles west and one-half mile south of Wakarusa on a farm then owned by Joseph Holdeman. Later they purchased this farm and lived there until about 1925. Abner Holdeman became a prominent farmer, and a breeder and dealer in horses; as a specialist in horses his judgment has been greatly relied on. He has conducted many horse sales, sometimes selling sixty-five horses, the sale amounting to thousands of dollars.

For a number of years he was a member of the local board for the Fort Wayne Mennonite Mission. He is a reader, a keen observer, an able conversationalist, and much interested in Christian mission and educational work. He is a liberal giver to charitable and religious causes, and an aggressive defender of Mennonite principles. They lived in Wakarusa, Indiana, since 1925.

Children:

1. Warren Holdeman, born May 28, 1887.
2. Roscoe Holdeman, born August 14, 1889; died May 23, 1909. Aged 19 years, 9 months, 9 days.
3. Grace Holdeman, born January 26, 1891; died January 10, 1893. Aged 1 year, 11 months, 14 days.
4. Walter Holdeman, born November 14, 1893.
5. Florence Ruth Holdeman, born August 8, 1895.
6. Vera Holdeman, born March 29, 1898.
7. Martha Catherine Holdeman, born March 2, 1900.
8. Nelson Devon Holdeman, born November 17, 1902.
9. Levon Holdeman, born September 23, 1905; died April 13, 1932. Aged 26 years, 6 months, 20 days.

Roscoe Holdeman was instantly killed near his home when struck by a freight train. It was said of him that he "was an excellent young man of exemplary habits and enjoyed a large circle of friends."

Fourth Generation

Warren Holdeman was married May 14, 1919 to Katherine Zoe Smith, born November 13, 1891, daughter of Augustus and Laura (Jackson) Smith. He has been for many years a teacher in the public schools of Elkhart County, Indiana, and has taught in Olive, Locke, and Harrison townships. He is at present a teacher in Wakarusa, Indiana. They live on the Abner Holdeman farm west of Wakarusa, and are members of the Methodist Church, where he has served as Sunday school superintendent.

Children:

1. Warren Jr. Holdeman, born March 30, 1920; died August 13, 1925.
2. Laurette Mae Holdeman, born November 20, 1924.
3. Marjorie Lucille Holdeman, born March 10, 1928.

Fourth Generation

Walter Holdeman was married June 13, 1914 to Cleo Craft, born February 5, 1896, daughter of Henry and Jennie (Keen) Craft. They live on a farm northwest of Wakarusa, Indiana, and their address is Elkhart. He is a trustee of the First Christian Church in Wakarusa.

They have three sons:

1. Quinn Eugene Holdeman, born March 20, 1916.
2. Glenn Leo Holdeman, born December 11, 1917.
3. Dean Levon Holdeman, born February 9, 1920.

Fifth Generation

Quinn Eugene Holdeman was married March 20, 1936 to Fern Pauline Yoder, born October 22, 1916, daughter of John L. and Nellie (Lopp) Yoder.

Fourth Generation

Florence Ruth Holdeman was married July 21, 1917 to Elmer Jacob Yoder, son of Cornelius and Anna (Weldy) Yoder. Elmer Jacob Yoder was born July 8, 1896, and died April 20, 1918, aged 21 years, 11 months, 12 days. He had been a public school teacher. Florence Holdeman Yoder has been a night telephone operator in Wakarusa since 1926, lives at the Abner Holdeman home in Wakarusa, Indiana, and is a member of the Mennonite Church.

One son was born:

1. Elmer Jacob Yoder, Jr., born April 24, 1918.

Fourth Generation

Vera Holdeman was married April 15, 1916 to Forest S. Metzler, born January 11, 1897, son of Solomon S. and Catherine (Loucks) Metzler.

Farmer. Wakarusa, Indiana. Mennonite.

Children:

1. Raymond L. Metzler, born June 8, 1917.
2. Vesta F. Metzler, born April 8, 1920.
3. James R. Metzler, born May 16, 1926.

Fourth Generation

Martha Catherine Holdeman was married April 14,

1917 to Arthur Willis Weldy, born June 26, 1896, son of Jacob I. and Rhoda (Landis) Weldy.

Farmer. Wakarusa, Indiana. Mennonite.

1. Lois Fern Weldy, born February 17, 1918.
2. Vivian Luella Weldy, born December 15, 1919.
3. Mearl Clayton Weldy, born March 15, 1922.
4. Verna Faye Weldy, born June 1, 1926.
5. Max Kieth Weldy, born January 31, 1936.

Fourth Generation

Nelson Devon Holdeman was married August 12, 1922 to Iva S. Abbott, born August 8, 1905 at Grayling, Michigan, daughter of Curzen George and Edith (Shultz) Abbott. He lived on a farm until 1923, when he entered a teaching career. He taught two years at the Olive Center School and one year in Wakarusa, both located in Olive Township, Elkhart County, Indiana. He was a student in the Arizona State College at Tempe in 1927-1928, a teacher at Solomonville, Arizona from 1928 to 1936, and a teacher at Tempe, Arizona since 1936. They are members of the Methodist Church, and their present address is 1002 McAllister Ave., Tempe, Arizona.

They have three daughters:

1. Bernice Mildred Holdeman, born March 17, 1923.
2. Lucile Ruth Holdeman, born July 27, 1924.
3. Gene Arlene Holdeman, born September 24, 1926.

Fourth Generation

Levon Holdeman was married December 4, 1927 to Minnie Ellen Ragdale, born May 4, 1907 in Elkhart, Indiana, daughter of Arthur and Dora Ragdale. He had been a student in Goshen College, and later a teacher in the public schools of Union Township, Elkhart County, Indiana. At the time of his death he was teaching one mile east and one half mile north of Nappanee, Indiana. They lived in Wakarusa, Indiana, and were members of the Christian Church.

Children:

1. June Ellen Holdeman, stillborn March 17, 1929.
2. Jay Eugene Holdeman, born August 17, 1931.
3. Ellen Louise Holdeman, born August 17, 1931.

Third Generation

Ann Eliza Holdeman was married October 18, 1885 to Daniel W. Wenger, born May 4, 1861, son of Henry and Margaret (Wanner) Wenger. They lived on a farm in the north end of Olive Township directly east of and adjacent to the Olive Mennonite Church. He was also a thresher. They are members of the Olive Mennonite Church.

Children:

1. Agnes Delcina Wenger, born April 9, 1886.
2. Alice Myrtle Wenger, born June 14, 1889.
3. Mary Ethel Wenger, born April 3, 1892.
4. Oscar Herman Wenger, born September 23, 1893.
5. Infant, born September 23, 1893; died September 23, 1893.
6. Golda Belle Wenger, born October 27, 1895.
7. Sylvia Bernice Wenger, born December 26, 1897.
8. Ralph Arlo Wenger, born April 12, 1900.
9. Russell Lowell Wenger, born August 30, 1902.
10. Evelyn Lucille Wenger, born February 4, 1906.

Fourth Generation

Agnes Delcina Wenger was married November 5, 1904 to Dennis Leroy Cook, born July 31, 1877, son of John and Geneva (Tibbetts) Cook. He was for fourteen years a teacher in the public schools of Baugo Township, Elkhart County, Indiana, having begun at the age of nineteen. They are farming southwest of Elkhart, Indiana, and are members of the Methodist Church.

They have one son:

1. Wayne Lowell Cook, born June 22, 1914.

Wayne Lowell Cook is a graduate of Ball State Teachers College, and entered a teaching career in the autumn of 1936 in the Wakarusa High School.

Fourth Generation

Alice Myrtle Wenger was married August 10, 1907 to Floyd Coe Cook, son of George and Ella (Watkins) Cook.

Farmer. Elkhart, Indiana, R. R. 4. Methodist.

Children:

1. Gerald Leroy Cook, born October 27, 1908.
2. Donald Emerson Cook, born October 22, 1910; died December 1, 1916.
3. Daniel Wilson Cook, born February 3, 1913.
4. Margaret Alice Cook, born April, 1915.

5. James Henry Cook, born December 13, 1917.
6. Verna Jean Cook, born March 31, 1920.
7. Elizabeth Ann Cook, born August 2, 1924.
8. Kieth L. Cook, born January 7, 1927.

Fifth Generation

Gerald Leroy Cook was married May 29, 1931 to Roberta Irene Booth, who was born July 1, 1912.

They have a daughter:

1. Marilyn Ann Cook, born February 3, 1932.

Fifth Generation

Margaret Alice Cook was married September 12, 1936 to Dale Love. They live in Elkhart, Indiana.

Fourth Generation

Mary Ethel Wenger was married February 3, 1912 to Dayton L. Miller, born May 16, 1887, son of Levi J. and Anna (Ulery) Miller. He is a salesman for the Elkhart Packing Co. They live at 601 Hovey Street, Elkhart, Indiana, and are members of the Evangelical Church.

They have a daughter:

1. Anna Elizabeth Miller, born October 15, 1913.

Anna Elizabeth Miller is a teacher in the Elkhart city schools.

Fourth Generation

Oscar Herman Wenger was married November 4, 1922 to Nila Frances Oswalt, born August 6, 1902, daughter of Jacob and Rena Oswalt.

Farmer. Elkhart, Indiana, R. R. 4. Methodist.

Children:

1. Beatrice Ann Wenger, born July 14, 1923.
2. Berniece Irene Wenger, born July 14, 1923.
3. Richard Dale Wenger, born August 17, 1925.

Fourth Generation

Golda Belle Wenger was married August 15, 1914 to Cornelius S. Weldy, born August 11, 1893, the son of Henry and Alma (Dolman) Weldy. They are engaged in farming southwest of Wakarusa, Indiana, and are members of the Holdeman congregation of the Mennonite Church.

Children:

1. Vivian Lucille Weldy, born August 8, 1915.
2. Pauline Lois Weldy, born July 31, 1917.
3. Harold C. Weldy, born September 15, 1919.

4. Vernelle Genieve Weldy, born September 10, 1921; died March 23, 1922.
5. Alma Ann Weldy, born September 19, 1925.
6. Wayne W. Weldy, born September 29, 1932.

Fifth Generation

Vivian Lucille Weldy was married December 25, 1935 to Abner G. Brown, born January 27, 1910 near Wakarusa, Indiana, son of Ira and Anna (Flickinger) Brown. They live on the Ira N. Brown farm northwest of Wakarusa, and are members of the Mennonite Church.

One daughter:

1. LaVeda Faye Brown, born February 13, 1937.

Fourth Generation

Sylvia Berniece Wenger was married to Charles Ray Billman, born March 3, 1896, the son of John Henry and Elizabeth (Nusbaum) Billman. He is a farmer and thresher, and also a skilled carpenter. They are members of the First Christian Church in Wakarusa.

Children:

1. Berdine Genevieve Billman, born November 2, 1916.
2. Robert Eugene Billman, born August 29, 1918; died May 14, 1929. Aged 9 years, 8 months, 16 days.
3. Richard Charles Billman, born July 10, 1924.
4. Shirley Joan Billman, born April 5, 1935.

Fifth Generation

Berdine Genevieve Billman was married February 8, 1936 to Carroll Emerson Bontrager, born February 5, 1915, the son of Joseph and Gertrude (Schrock) Bontrager.

Mechanic. Wakarusa, Indiana. Christian Church.

Fourth Generation

Ralph Arlo Wenger was married April 16, 1921 to Dorothy Elizabeth Greenawalt, born March 19, 1900, the daughter of Cyrus and Catherine (Wambaugh) Greenawalt. Dorothy E. Wenger died January 4, 1936; aged 35 years, 9 months, 15 days.

Farmer. Elkhart, Indiana, R. R. 5.

Children:

1. Donald Ralph Wenger, born April 10, 1922.
2. Jean Eleanor Wenger, born August 27, 1923.
3. Warren Lowell Wenger, born June 7, 1925.
4. Paul Frederick Wenger, born January 27, 1927.

Fourth Generation

Russell Lowell Wenger was married September 24, 1921 to Ruth Viola Weldy, born January 14, 1902, daughter of John and Rhoda (Salsbury) Weldy.

Elkhart, Indiana, R. R. 4. Christian Church.

Children:

1. Eunice Naomi Wenger, born April 17, 1922.
2. Russell Wenger, Junior, born March 13, 1924.
3. Helen Annetta Wenger, born January 29, 1925.
4. John Daniel Wenger, born June 20, 1929.

Fourth Generation

Evelyn Lucille Wenger was married December 24, 1932 to Carl Eldon Moyer, born June 14, 1906, son of William H. and Saloma (Shaum) Moyer. He is a painter at the Adams-Westlake Co. in Elkhart. Evelyn Lucille (Wenger) Moyer was a nurse and received her training at the Elkhart General Hospital and in New York City.

To them was born:

1. Rex Carlton Moyer, born December 8, 1935.

Third Generation

Alice M. Holdeman was married April 4, 1885 to Abraham E. Wenger, son of Henry and Margaret (Wanner) Wenger. He was born July 1, 1865, and died April 3, 1916; aged 50 years, 9 months, 2 days. They lived on a farm in Baugo Township south of Jamestown, Elkhart County, Indiana, and were members of the Olive Mennonite Church. After the death of Abraham E. Wenger, Alice spent most of her time doing practical nursing.

Children:

1. Chloe Hutoka Wenger, born August 17, 1887.
2. George Delbert Wenger, born September 4, 1892; died January 5, 1894.
3. Herman Willis Wenger, born November 28, 1896.

Fourth Generation

Chloe H. Wenger was married September 3, 1908 to Clyde C. Moore, son of Charles and Harriet (Zimmerman) Moore. They lived on a farm in Baugo Township, Elkhart County, Indiana. She is a member of the Jamestown Methodist Church. Clyde C. Moore was born July 1, 1885, four miles north and one-half mile west of Wakarusa, and died September 28, 1936; aged 51 years, 2 months, 27 days.

Children:

1. Lois Moore, born April 5, 1911; died April 12, 1911.
2. Carlyle Moore, born March 7, 1913.

Carlyle is an electrician and is employed by Borneman & Sons in Elkhart.

Fourth Generation

Herman W. Wenger was married January 1, 1917 to Bessie Fredericks, born December 1, 1898, daughter of William and Rose (Anglemyer) Fredericks. Their address is Elkhart, Indiana. They live on the Abraham E. Wenger



Abraham Holdeman Homestead.

farm in Baugo Township, and are members of the Church of the Brethren.

Children:

1. Warren Dale Wenger, born October 10, 1918.
2. Dayton Wayne Wenger, born April 14, 1922.
3. Phyllis Louise Wenger, born April 12, 1926.
4. Larry Dean Wenger, born June 26, 1935.
5. Lorna Jean Wenger, born June 26, 1935.

Third Generation

Priscilla Holdeman was married August 14, 1892 to Irvin Archable Long, born March 10, 1868, son of Jacob and Catherine (Acker) Long. They owned the Abraham Holdeman farm in Baugo Township, northwest of Elkhart, where they lived. After they retired from farming they lived

adjacent to the Olive Mennonite Church. Irvin Long served the Olive congregation of the Mennonite Church a number of years as deacon.

Children:

1. Vesta Queath Long, born March 31, 1893; died July 22, 1893. Aged 3 months, 22 days.
2. Florence Long, born April 28, 1894; died September 22, 1894. Aged 4 months, 24 days.
3. Ethel Mary Long, born July 24, 1895.
4. Bessie Catherine Long, born April 4, 1899; died October 28, 1936. Aged 37 years, 6 months, 24 days.
5. George Vernon Long, born September 6, 1904.

Fourth Generation

Ethel Mary Long was married December 16, 1916 to Elgie Husband, son of John Leroy and Evarissa Eliza (Earl) Husband. They own what was formerly the Earl farm two and one half miles southwest of Wakarusa, Indiana. They are members of the Mennonite Church.

Children:

1. Irvin LeRoy Husband, born August 12, 1917; died August 14, 1917.
2. Earl LaMar Husband, born August 19, 1918.

Fourth Generation

Bessie Catherine Long was married June 10, 1919 to John Byron Dettweiler, born September 1, 1897, son of Rudolph and Grace (Stewart) Dettweiler. He was a meat cutter, and is now a merchant operating a grocery store in Elkhart, Indiana.

Children:

1. Priscilla Grace Dettweiler, born May 4, 1920.
2. George Kenneth Dettweiler, born May 18, 1922.
3. Ruby Mae Dettweiler, born March 15, 1925.
4. Ruth Ethel Dettweiler, born May 24, 1927; died May 20, 1935. Aged 7 years, 11 months, 26 days.
5. Vivian Louise Dettweiler, born June 2, 1932.

Fourth Generation

George Vernon Long was married May 17, 1924 to Madge Lucille Stealy, born May 16, 1906, daughter of Oscar and Lucretia (Pletcher) Stealy. They are engaged in farming and their address is Elkhart, Indiana, R. R. 4. They attend the Elkhart Gospel Tabernacle.

Children:

1. Kenneth Richard Long, born October 4, 1925.
2. Donald Lavon Long, born March 15, 1929.

Third Generation

Martha M. Holdeman was married April 22, 1893 to William Delbert Cook, born April 27, 1871 in Penn Township, St. Joseph County, Indiana, son of John and Geneva (Tibbitts) Cook. They lived on a farm in Baugo Township, which was located in section twenty-five, and which they had purchased in 1914, but moved to Jamestown a few years before the death of Martha M. (Holdeman) Cook. William D. Cook had been president of the Elkhart Farmers Home Insurance Co., and treasurer of the Maple Ridge and Elkhart County Pomona Granges. They were members of the Jamestown Methodist Church.

Children:

1. Earl Abraham Cook, born December 11, 1893.
2. Warren Henry Cook, born December 18, 1895.
3. Mabel Geneva Cook, born December 26, 1897.
4. Bert Leroy Cook, born October 15, 1899.
5. Grace Mary Cook, born February 2, 1903.
6. Vesta Bernice Cook, born March 10, 1909.
7. Lois Glennis Cook, born October 14, 1915.

Fourth Generation

Earl A. Cook was married September 4, 1916 to Eleanor Shaum, born April 4, 1900, daughter of William H. and Rose (BeMiller) Shaum.

Farmer. Elkhart, Indiana. Methodist.

Children:

1. Doris Geneva Cook, born January 4, 1918.
2. Phyllis June Cook, born June 28, 1922.
3. Glenn Earl Cook, born September 9, 1931.

Fourth Generation

Warren H. Cook was married June 2, 1917 to Wilma Lorena Walter, born March 31, 1899, daughter of Frank and Catherine (Frank) Walter. They live in Jamestown, Indiana, and he is at present a salesman of McCormick-Deering farm implements in Goshen, Indiana.

Children:

1. Carl Warren Cook, born January 3, 1921.
2. Carole Jean Cook, born October 30, 1926.

Fourth Generation

Mabel G. Cook was married August 17, 1918 to Clyde Wenger, born August 14, 1897, son of Henry and Elizabeth (Schrock) Wenger. They live on the Henry Wenger farm northwest of Wakarusa, Indiana.

Fourth Generation

Bert L. Cook was married December 30, 1922 to Zelma R. James, born November 10, 1904, daughter of Nathan and Emma Arvilla (Shaum) James.

Farmer. Elkhart, Indiana.

Children:

1. Geneva Evelyn Cook, born April 18, 1924.
2. Lillian Jean Cook, born August 31, 1927.
3. Lucille Maxine Cook, born August 31, 1927.
4. Dale Leroy Cook, born April 18, 1930.
5. Mary Elnore Cook, born March 28, 1932.

Fourth Generation

Grace Mary Cook was married February 11, 1927 to Robert Quinn Sloat, son of Samuel and Belle (Rhodes) Sloat. He is a fireman on the New York Central Railroad, and they live in Elkhart, Indiana.

Children:

1. June Maxine Sloat, born June 1, 1929.
2. Ruth Arline Sloat, born June 21, 1930.
3. Marilyn Louise Sloat, born July 21, 1931.
4. Betty Joan Sloat, born September 1, 1935.

Fourth Generation

Vesta Bernice Cook was married January 25, 1931 to Edward L. Creakbaum, born March 9, 1907 in Sevastopol, Indiana, son of Daniel and Lucinda (Baldwin) Creakbaum. He is a farmer, and also employed by the state highway department. They had lived near Sidney, Indiana, but have purchased a farm near Claypool, Indiana, which is their present address.

Children:

1. Norma Jean Creakbaum, born July 5, 1932.
2. Larry Dean Creakbaum, born January 14, 1935.

Fourth Generation

Lois Glennis Cook was married January 19, 1933 to Horace Richard Shigley, born July 30, 1914 in Elkhart, Indi-

ana, son of Earl Frederick and Edna May (Gardner) Shigley. They live in Elkhart, Indiana.

Children:

1. Richard Earl Shigley, born July 8, 1933.
2. Sandra Kay Shigley, born February 17, 1936.

THE HOLDEMAN COUSINS REUNION

The first annual Holdeman Cousins Reunion was held in 1902 in the Wakarusa Park, beside the old Fish Pond, in Wakarusa, Indiana. Jennie Landis Caldwell, who had come from her home in Kansas to visit relatives in Elkhart County, was instrumental in getting the Holdeman families together for this first reunion. Through the first two or three years the annual meetings were held in the Wakarusa Park, but the place was soon changed to Elkhart, where for some years they were held either at the Island Park, or at the Studebaker Park. Since 1915 the regular place of meeting has been the McNaughton Park. In the early years the reunions were well attended, often three hundred and more being present. In recent years the attendance has diminished, due to the deaths of nearly all of the first cousins, and also to the origination of separate reunions in the various branches of the Holdeman family.

A summary of officers of the Holdeman Cousins Reunion since 1910 is as follows:

D. S. Moyer, Temporary President 1910.

Abner Holdeman, President 1911; Vice President 1914-1916, 1919-1921.

Michael Holdeman, Secretary 1910-1914.

Henry Wagner, Treasurer 1910-1929.

Joseph L. Holdeman, Vice President 1911-1912.

William B. Holdeman, President 1912-1917; Vice President 1923-1924, 1926-1927, 1933.

Isaiah Holdeman, Vice President 1913.

Alice Wenger, Secretary 1915-1916.

Frank Girl, Secretary, 1917-1926.

Ivan Holdeman, President 1918, 1930-1931; Vice President 1925; Secretary 1927-1929.

Frederick Holdeman, President 1919-1922.

Harry Holdeman, Vice President 1923.

Catherine Gingerich, Vice President 1924.

John W. Holdeman, President 1925-1929; 1932-

Menno Weaver, Vice President 1929.

Elias Hartman, Secretary 1930.

David Holdeman, Treasurer 1930-

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